

Final BULLETINS

Marshall's Chief Shows Confidence

WITH U.S. NAVAL FORCES IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC (AP)—"I have every confidence that we'll put this over," said Rear-Admiral Richmond Kelly Turner before he led amphibious forces into the Marshall Islands. "We won't come back until we've finished the job."

Foreign Autonomy

LONDON (AP)—Foreign Commissar Molotov announced tonight in Moscow the 16 republics of the Soviet Union would be able to enter into their own foreign relations with other countries under a new government proposal.

Call Only Canadians

OTTAWA (CP)—U.S. citizens no longer are to be enlisted in the Canadian Women's Army Corps, a defence headquarters announcement said today. No reason was given and it was emphasized the ruling in no way affects continuation of recruiting of Canadian women.

Vandals Busy

LONDON (CP)—A German incendiary squad in Italy has wantonly destroyed priceless works of art and important archives of European history dating from 1238 to 1811, despite a plea by Italian authorities to spare them, War Secretary Sir James Grigg told the House of Commons today.

Soldier Injured

NANAIMO (CP)—Pte. Gustaf Wotkye of the small arms training school here, suffered a leg fracture and possible skull fracture when struck by a car near the army camp.

Deputy Magistrate

VANCOUVER (CP)—Following the recent illness of Magistrate Mackenzie Matheson, W. B. McInnes has been appointed a deputy police magistrate for the city of Vancouver. Mr. McInnes was a senior county court judge for Vancouver from 1909 to 1917, when he retired to run as Liberal candidate in the federal election, and was defeated.

Beer Drought Ends

EDMONTON (CP)—Suppression was lifted today on beer sales in Government liquor vendors' stores in Alberta, Liquor Board officials said. Sale of beer was stopped Jan. 20, when the quota of supplies for the month was exhausted. There is no change in the beer quota of 12 pints a month to each permit holder.

Civil Servants Meet

VANCOUVER (CP)—Continuing their movement toward a national organization, the Amalgamated Civil Servants of Canada will hold a convention in Regina Feb. 25, D. J. McCarthy, president, announced today.

James Buff Dies

VANCOUVER (CP)—James Thomas Buff, 50, retired electrician, died here today. He was the son of Vancouver Island pioneers and was born near Qualicum.

Island Loggers Sign

VANCOUVER (CP)—International Woodworkers of America have concluded negotiations with the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber and Timber Co. Ltd. of Victoria, and the contract being signed is based on the standard form of agreement, Nigel Morgan, I.W.A. executive board member, said today.

Protection Pealed By CBC in Suit

MONTREAL (CP)—A motion was presented today in Quebec Superior Court here by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, in connection with the first damage suit filed here by the widow of an accredited war correspondent, claiming it could not be sued in any provincial court because it is "in fact an emanation, agency or instrument of the Crown."

The widow of Edouard Baudry, who was killed last year when the plane carrying him to the conference was fired on over Spanish territory, Monday filed a \$3,375 damage suit against the CBC.

Girl Wins House

VANCOUVER (CP)—Phyllis Baird, attractive departmental store clerk, is just about ready to believe in fairies, Monday night she won a \$2,250 house and \$750 cash bonus in a drawing of \$1 tickets by Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

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City temperatures for 24 hours: ***
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VICTORIA—SUNNIEST CITY
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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Auto Licenses In B.C. To Be Reduced

Allies Drive To Appian Way; Nazis Breaking

By WES GALLAGHER

ALGIERS (AP)—British and U.S. troops bursting forward in a big offensive from their invasion beachhead have struck to the outskirts of Campoleone, 16 miles southeast of Rome, and also to the edge of Cisterna, communications town on the Appian Way 14 miles northwest of Anzio, headquarters announced today.

Campoleone is 15 miles from the invasion port of Anzio. U.S. troops attacking on the main front north of Cassino have hammered out new gains meanwhile, and seized 250 prisoners from the German 44th infantry division.

A field dispatch said German defences in the corridor northwest of Cassino were beginning to break down.

U.S. units striking northeast of Anzio have reached within half a mile of Cisterna, a key rail and road junction and large air base. They found the Germans well dug in on the border of the city, and resisting strongly.

The twin attacks were the first big offensive since the landings. An Allied officer said the Nazis had brought troops from the area north of Rome to meet the Allied blows. But the Navy said that Allied landings of reinforcements and supplies were proceeding on schedule, under favorable conditions.

A field dispatch dated Monday from Associated Press correspondent Hal Boyle said the Americans of the 3rd Army who drove a wedge into the Nazis' Gustav Line were pursuing "the retreating Nazis through the hills north of Cassino today as the entire enemy defences in this key corridor to Rome began to crumble."

The nature of extensive and powerful enemy fortifications was disclosed with capture of numerous German troops, including officers, Boyle added.

Some prisoners complained they had been in the line two days without food, indicating air attacks on German communication lines were giving the Nazis "a major supply problem," Boyle said.

3 Fliers Missing In Lost Bomber

Sgt. E. G. Quigley of Winnipeg is listed as missing following disappearance of a twin-engine, medium bomber from an R.A.F. west coast station Friday night. Missing also are two R.A.F. personnel whose names are withheld pending confirmation of receipt of information by next of kin in England.

R.A.F. officials said today the aircraft left the west coast station Friday night for a navigational training flight and did not return.

Widespread search throughout lower Vancouver Island is continuing for the missing plane and its occupants.

Winchell Wins

CHICAGO (AP)—Federal Judge John P. Barnes, ruling that no libel had been shown in the complaint, dismissed today a \$1,000,000 suit against Walter Winchell, columnist and radio commentator; his broadcast sponsor, the Andrew Jergens Company; and the Blue Network Inc. The suit, filed in behalf of George Washington Robnett, executive secretary of the Church League of America, alleged that Winchell and his co-defendants had conspired to defame Robnett and the League in discussions of the book, "Under Cover," during broadcasts July 25, Aug. 1 and Sept. 19, 1943.

Criticizes Pope

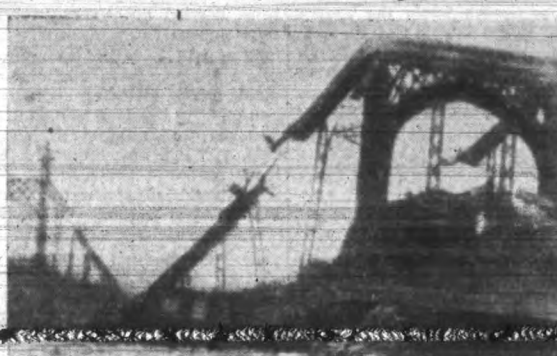
MOSCOW (CP)—Writing in the Soviet newspaper Izvestia, Dmitri Petrov today called Pope Pius XII pro-Fascist and said "no wonder how of Hitler and Mussolini now also includes the Vatican."

"Catholics who live in England, America, Spain, Poland and other countries as well as the Indians are becoming convinced of the pro-Fascist character of the Vatican's policy," he said.

Retreating Nazis Leave Path of Ruins



Palace of the czars, the famous Peterhof Palace in Leningrad, is shown in ruins after it was wrecked by the retreating Germans. It had been preserved by the Russians as a museum and park.



In an effort to halt the Russian troops during fighting in the Leningrad area, retreating Germans wrecked this bridge across the Volkhov River at Novgorod.

Yanks Land On Marshall Islands Against Strong Opposition

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt said this afternoon the U.S. operations in the Marshall Islands apparently were going well and that they were aimed at an objective of utter defeat for the Japanese and a drive on Tokyo itself.

Moving westward and in collaboration with the Allies eastward from Burma and Malaya, Mr. Roosevelt said, the U.S. objectives are complete defeat of the enemy.

He asserted in a formal statement that "nobody in India or anywhere else in Asia will misunderstand the presence there of American armed forces if they will believe, as we do at home, that their job is to assure the defeat of Japan, without which there can be no opportunity for any of us to enjoy and expand the freedoms for which we fight."

Beachheads Quickly Established

PEARL HARBOR (AP)—United States troops landed in the Marshall Islands near Roi and Kwajalein and have established beachheads.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz reported in a communique today Japanese were putting up strong opposition, but initial information indicated American casualties so far have been moderate.

This is the first time invasion has been attempted of any territory the Japanese held before Pearl Harbor. U.S. troops are fighting to take islands which the enemy has been preparing a quarter of a century.

Admiral Nimitz said the 4th Marines Division, headed by Maj. Gen. Harry Schmidt, landed in the Roi Island area and the 7th Infantry commanded by Maj. Gen. Charles H. Corlett, landed in the Kwajalein Island area.

Kwajalein Island has an excellent harbor, seaplane and submarine bases, and Roi probably the best airfield in the Marshalls.

In these landings, covered by continuous heavy aerial bombardment of the entire Marshall group by carrier aircraft and surface forces, the U.S. forces have struck at the very heart of the archipelago, both geographically and from a standpoint of vulnerability.

GREAT AREA INVOLVED The push into the very heart of the Marshalls possibly is the boldest big operation of the Pacific war, but is not the suicidal strike it might appear.

The operation undoubtedly will cost many lives, and cannot possibly be completed anywhere nearly as soon as the Gilberts,

Russians Take Kingisepp; Cross Luga River

LONDON (CP)—The Red Army has captured Kingisepp.

The capture by Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's Leningrad army was announced tonight in a broadcast special order of the day from Marshal Premier Stalin, who called the town "an important stronghold in German defences in the Narva direction."

It was taken by "a skilful out-flanking manoeuvre," Stalin said. He ordered a victory salute of 12 salvos from 124 Moscow guns in celebration.

An earlier story had described how Russian forces had smashed their way nearer to the Estonian frontier today as Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's Leningrad army reached the suburbs of Kingisepp, the last railway station short of the frontier, eight miles distant.

Govorov's troops also crossed the Luga River 27 miles south-east of the Kingisepp.

The capture was part of a relentless drive toward Narva, inside the frontier and 13 miles from Kingisepp.

The Russians also announced capture of Luga, two miles beyond Kingisepp, and three miles south of Kingisepp, and three were indications Soviet forces might have crossed the river closer to Kingisepp. The Soviet bulletin announced capture of Bolshoi Lutsak and Mall Lutsak on the Luga three miles north of Kingisepp, and Bolshoye Klenna, six miles to the southeast on the river.

Meantime other Govorov forces farther south, swinging down the highway and railway to Luga, were within 37 miles of a junction with Gen. K. A. Meretskov's army. This pincer movement already had cut off disorganized groups of Germans.

Monday night's communique also announced fresh gains by Gen. M. M. Popov's 2nd Baltic Army attacking toward Latvia from fallen Novosokolniki on the southern end of a 230-mile northern front.

Haldane Inquiry Cost Province \$6,000

The Haldane inquiry, which led to the prosecution of and jail sentences for three Victoria merchants and a provincial police officer in connection with shortages in boots and shoes, cost \$6,074, according to public accounts, tabled in the Legislature by Premier John Hart.

W. H. M. Haldane, the sole commissioner, received \$50 a day and his total fee was \$3,466. The inquiry was held under the Departmental Inquiries Act.

Other expenses were: T. H. Bamford, \$59; H. M. Francis, \$78; King's Printer, \$31; H. Langley, \$1,713; P. J. Mackay, \$27; J. D. Pemberton estate, \$37.

Quake in Turkey

ANKARA (AP)—A powerful earthquake destroyed the Turkish town of Gerede, 180 miles east of Istanbul, killing and injuring many of its 25,000 inhabitants today.

The tremors lasted 30 seconds and were felt throughout Turkey. Gerede, in northern Turkey, is about 60 miles from the Black Sea.

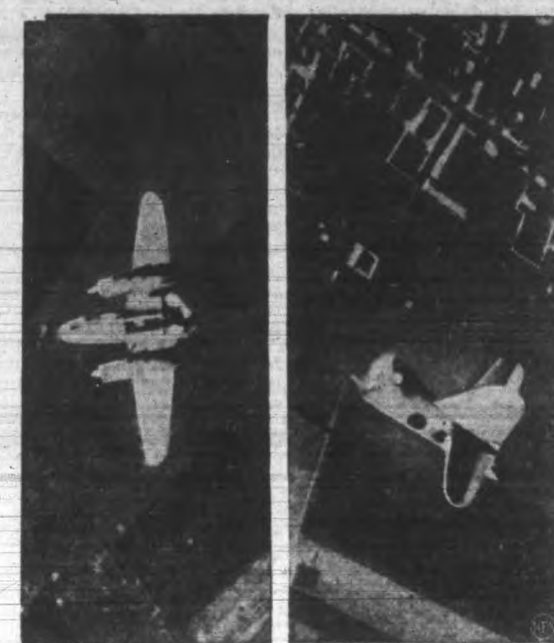
Earthquake which destroyed the Turkish town of Gerede, 180 miles east of Istanbul today, was recorded on instruments of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory at Saanich, for three hours and thirty minutes, beginning at 8:36 Monday evening, Dr. Joseph A. Pearce, director and head astronomer at the Observatory, said this morning.

"The length of time the quake was recorded indicated it was the most destructive quake of the past year. It was a distance of about 5,800 miles from Victoria, and there is no doubt that it was the Turkish quake."

The preliminary wave reached Victoria at 8:36 in the evening, the second wave followed 11 minutes later, and the maximum wave at 9," Dr. Pearce said.

Storm Warnings

The U.S. Weather Bureau at Seattle hoisted smallcraft warnings along the Strait of Juan de Fuca at 4:30 a.m. today from Port Townsend to Tatoosh, and down the coast to Cape Blanco.



A BOMBER IS LOST—The remarkable photographs above, taken over Nazi-occupied Europe, show a B-26 Marauder bomber of the U.S.A.A.F., broken cleanly in two by enemy fire, hurtling to earth. Forepart of plane is at left, tail and rear of fuselage at right.

\$28,711,281 Spent In B.C. For Liquor; Profit \$7,912,185

British Columbia, in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1943, drank more liquor than ever before—\$28,711,281 worth, with a net profit to the government of \$7,912,185, according to the annual report of the Liquor Control Board, tabled in the Legislature today by Attorney-General R. L. Maitland.

Of the total \$11,768,823 went for beer. Since last March, however, with strict rationing, liquor sales have materially dropped, but provincial government revenues are pegged and this province receives from Ottawa a certain sum annually because liquor sale curtailment was a federal government order.

In the fiscal year ending March 31, 1942, total liquor sales in B.C. were \$20,969,955. Thus the liquor bill in the last fiscal year was \$8,000,000 more than the year before.

In a supplementary report, prepared by Liquor Commissioner W. F. Kennedy and filed in the House today by the Attorney-General, it is shown that in the six-month period from April 1 to Sept. 30, 1943, \$10,706,556 worth of liquor was sold in British Columbia, with a new profit of \$2,646,850.

The two Victoria liquor stores sold \$2,567,047 worth of liquor in the year ending March 31 last. The Humboldt Street store took in \$1,551,427 and the Johnson Street store \$2,567,047, giving a net liquor profit in Victoria of \$700,205. The Esquimalt store did a \$807,851 business and the Sidney store \$238,912. These figures include sale to beer licenses. Profits to beer parlors are not shown. But it is generally considered beer parlors double their money, which means B.C. spent approximately \$23,000,000 on beer in the year.

Doctors' Prescriptions For Liquor Rise Greatly

Doctors' prescriptions for liquor shot up to unprecedented figures last year.

Annual report of the Liquor Control Board tabled today in the Legislature by Attorney-General R. L. Maitland gives a hint that doctors' prescriptions ran into many thousands for 1943.

The report is for the fiscal year ending last March 31, just as liquor became scarce. Previously the number of doctors' prescriptions were negligible—three or four a month in Victoria and seven or eight a month in Vancouver.

Last March, however, according to the report, there were 152 bottles purchased on doctors' prescriptions in Victoria and 1,866 in Vancouver.

It was after March, however, when people could buy only a bottle a month that doctors' prescriptions began to soar, but their totals have not yet been made public by the Liquor Board though it is known their number has reached the thousands.

It is well known, however, that many people, balked every other way when it came to getting a bottle, feigned a cough or rheumatism and went to their doctor for a prescription. Over the recent Christmas and New Year holidays the liquor prescription business boomed to huge proportions.

Doctors' prescriptions for liquor are expected to be debated in the Legislature and charges of a "racket" in this regard may be heard.

State Banquet Here for Juliana

Program for the visit here of H.R.H. Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, who will arrive in Victoria from Seattle at 12:35 p.m. Friday by regular C.P.R. boat, were completed today at the Parliament Buildings.

The Princess, accompanied by her secretary, W. Van Tets and Mrs. Van Tets, will be welcomed by Lieutenant-Governor Woodward and Mrs. Woodward, Mayor McGavin and Mrs. McGavin, also by Capt. W. J. M. Watson-Armstrong consul of the Netherlands for B.C., and W. G. C. Holland, vice-consul at Victoria.

The welcoming party will greet Juliana aboard the ship and a bouquet from the Netherlands community of Victoria will be presented.

At the dock there will be a military guard. Juliana will be taken to Government House where she will stay. There will be a small Government House luncheon at 1 o'clock. At 4:45 there will be a reception at Government House for members of the Netherlands community of Victoria and the

community of Victoria and the Island. Friday evening at 7:45 there will be a formal state banquet at Government House for the Princess.

Saturday at 12 noon Juliana will launch the Canadian naval frigate St. Stephen at Yarrow's No. 2 yards. This will be followed by a luncheon at Government House at 1 o'clock. The rest of the day will be spent privately with the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Woodward.

In Vancouver Juliana will stay at the Vancouver Hotel. She will receive Mayor Cornett at 10 a.m. Sunday and return the call at the City Hall. At 2:30 she will visit the Netherlands unit of the Vancouver Red Cross. At 8:30 p.m. there will be a reception at the hotel for the whole Netherlands colony. Juliana will leave Vancouver Tuesday morning, touring the Fraser Valley and boarding the train for Ottawa at Mission.

Hart Government Gives Taxation Relief, Surveys

British Columbians will not have to pay usual fees for their motor licenses in the next year, starting March 1, but by how much they will be reduced is not yet announced. (Informed persons estimate the cut from 20 to 30 per cent.)

This announcement highlighted the Speech From the Throne, read at the opening of the Legislature today by Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Woodward.

"It is proposed to grant further tax relief by the rebate of a percentage of the automobile licenses applicable to all passenger cars," said the speech.

The matter will be discussed by the Legislature and the amount by which the licenses will be reduced decided.

Other Speech From the Throne highlights are:

1. Free distribution of textbooks to include all those required by students from grades 1 to 6, inclusive.

2. Total exemption to farmers from taxation on improvements, organized areas and will not affect farms within municipal boundaries.)

3. Assistance to those in the armed services by the remission of all taxes levied on lands and buildings during their periods of enlistment.

4. Remission, under special circumstances, of succession duties payable by the estate of a member of the forces who has lost his life as a result of the war.

5. Location of a road outlet to the coast from the Peace River area.

6. Legislation authorizing regulations designed to promote the development of the potential oil and coal resources of the province.

7. General lightening of the tax burden.

8. Further financial assistance to cities, district municipalities and rural areas in connection with education costs.

9. Inquiry into all fields of municipal endeavor and responsibility.

10. Survey of the entire system of education and its cost to determine what additional assistance or reforms are necessary in the postwar era.

11. Preferential treatment for British Columbians in the services, in connection with employment in the civil service.

12. Legislation, enabling the province to enter into an agreement with Ottawa for carrying out of vocational training for the armed services.

13. Establishment of a Bureau of Postwar Rehabilitation and Reconstruction under a committee of the cabinet.

14. Establishment of a forest products laboratory at U.B.C.

15. Creation of a B.C. Industrial Research Council.

16. Encouragement of trained prospectors to develop mineral resources of the province.

17. Provision of funds for extensive public works, including highways and buildings, for the postwar era.

18. An extraordinary program of road maintenance.

(For text of speech from the Throne, see Page 2.)

B.C.'s Highest Surplus Reported By Hart

A revenue surplus of \$8,139,597, the highest in the history of the province, was reported today when Premier John Hart tabled public accounts in the Legislature for the fiscal year ending March 31.

Revenue collections during the year were \$39,773,52 and marked an all-time record. Expenditure during the year was \$31,633,925. Mr. Hart said the expenditures included 1,544,521 spent on debt redemption, as well as all costs in connection with unemployment relief, social assistance and war emergency programs, amounting in all to \$1,477,011.

First Performance Tonight

TORONTO—First performance of Arnold Walter's Symphony in G Minor, hailed as one of the important musical works of the day, will be given by Sir Ernest MacMillan and the Toronto Symphony Orchestra in Massey Hall this evening. It will be broadcast over CBC network starting at 6 p.m. Pacific time.

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U.S. Admiral Retires

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Vice-Admiral John W. Greenslade, having reached the statutory retirement age of 64 after 43 years with the service, today turned over to his successors his command of the Western Sea Frontier and the 12th U.S. Naval District.

Honor Guard, Much Color As Legislature Opened

All the ancient ritual of formal legislative openings was rigidly observed today when Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Woodward summoned to business British Columbia's 20th Legislature, for its third session.

There was absence of peace-time ceremony, but no waning of public interest, for demand for seats has been greater than ever before. Hundreds of applications had to be turned down, because there was not room for everyone who wanted to be present.

Many people came from Vancouver, including prominent members of the church, judiciary, bar, the diplomatic corps and high educational circles.

Promptly at 3 a Government House limousine, bearing the Lieutenant-Governor drew up outside the main steps to the Parliament Buildings. In attendance were Lt.-Cmdr. Hew Paterson, R.C.N.V.R., and Lt. Col. Brooke Stephenson, C.O., 3rd Battalion, Canadian Scottish. His Honor inspected the guard of honor, composed of 100 men, in charge of Capt. W. E. Watt. Esquimalt Garrison Band, under Bandmaster Bowers, played as His Honor walked slowly between the ranks of the soldiers.

Mounting the stone steps the Lieutenant-Governor was met in the oval rotunda by Premier Hart, who escorted him to the Executive Chamber, while the Speaker was summoned and the House informed His Honor waited without. When all was ready the Lieutenant-Governor entered the packed legislative chamber, the whole company standing until he had taken his seat on the Speak-

er's dais. He passed through an honor guard of high officers of navy, army and air force, and was attended by his private secretary, Capt. J. G. Cromack, and his personal aides, who stood on either side of him while he read the Speech from the Throne.

Mr. Speaker Norman Whitaker was prevented by illness from attending, and the deputy Speaker, Sqdn. Leader E. V. Finland could not be present because of air force duties. The House, at the last minute, elected a deputy to carry on.

Bishop H. E. Sexton said opening prayers. Ranking officers of the three forces, Rear-Admiral Victor Brodeur, Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., and Air Vice-Marshal L. F. Stevenson were in the chamber. Robed judges, president and chancellor of the University lent a splash of color in their scarlet gowns. The consular corps wore top hats and most of the ladies were in furs.

Mrs. W. C. Woodward and Mrs. John Hart sat on the floor of the House, immediately to the left of Mr. Speaker.

The C.C.F. formally introduced their new member, locomotive engineer Vincent Segur, who won Revelstoke by-election last June. He was paraded from his seat to the Speaker by opposition leader Harold Winch and his father, E. E. Winch.

Following the opening, members and their wives went to Government House for a brief informal reception by His Honor and Mrs. Woodward. There were several quiet tea parties at the Empress Hotel and several Vancouver people plan dinner parties at the hotel this evening.

The state dinner and ball at



STALINGRAD REBUILDS THEATRE—This was one of the most beautiful buildings in Stalingrad, home of Maxim Gorki Theatre. The building was badly damaged in the fierce fight for the city, but is being rebuilt. Here actors and actresses clear away rubble from the front.

Government House, the highlight of peace-time opening days, have been canceled for the duration.

Tomorrow the business of the session will start, with R. C. MacDonald of Dewdney and R. H. Carson of Kamloops starting the Throne debate, which will last two weeks.

LONDON (CP)—The German radio said today U-boats in January had sunk 17 Allied merchantmen totaling 120,000 tons, 23 destroyers, two submarines and three landing barges. The claim was unconfirmed by any Allied source.

Speech From the Throne

The Speech From the Throne read at the opening of the B.C. Legislature today by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor was as follows:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislative Assembly:

"I welcome you to the third session of the twentieth Parliament of British Columbia.

"Events of the past 13 months on the battle fronts have been most encouraging and give rise to the hope that we are approaching the concluding phase. The attainment of victory still remains one factor which stands out very clearly. We have passed from the defensive to the offensive. This position has not been reached without many sacrifices; nor in the days to come will there be a surcease of suffering. Only peace can bring that about. The government is deeply conscious of the price that has been paid by the loss of loved ones who suffered and that subjugated nations might be liberated.

"Since the Legislature last convened, British Columbia again has had the pleasure and honor of a visit from His Excellency the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General, and Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice. As in the past, His Excellency and Her Royal Highness devoted much of their time to visiting men and women in the service.

NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

"The approach of victory brings with it new responsibilities and my government is prepared to meet them full; and will present further legislation designed to establish a well-defined program of rehabilitation within the scope of its jurisdiction and of a type that will conform with the plans devised by federal authorities.

"The urgent need of positive planning for postwar rehabilitation and reconstruction calls for the early and concerted efforts of the national and provincial governments in Canada. My government has agreed to the calling of a Dominion-Provincial conference at Ottawa to discuss these problems and will co-operate fully in such measures as will best advance the object of our common purpose.

"Provision will be made for the establishment of a Bureau of Postwar Rehabilitation and Reconstruction under a committee of the cabinet in order to co-ordinate the work of the various departments of the provincial services and to fit those measures, which come within the scope of provincial jurisdiction, into the larger program, devised by the Dominion authorities.

"Appropriations will be submitted for the establishment and maintenance of a forest products laboratory at the University of British Columbia in conjunction with the Dominion government and private industry.

"Provision will be asked for the creation of a British Columbia Industrial Research Council designed to carry on general research work with a view to expanding secondary industries and developing wider use of by-products from the manufacture of our natural resources to encourage greater development after the war.

"Legislation will be introduced to implement the gift of 1,000,000 acres of land to British Columbia veterans desirous of taking up farming under the Dominion government's Veterans' Land Act, 1942.

ENCOURAGE PROSPECTORS

"It is proposed to encourage trained and experienced prospectors to develop the mineral resources of this province by special aid under the Wartime Prospectors' Grubstake Act. These prospectors will be financed and their

work carried out under proper field supervision.

"You will be asked to appropriate funds to provide extensive public works, including highways and buildings, as soon as men and material are available. In addition, you will be requested to make special provision for an extraordinary program of road maintenance.

"Legislation will be introduced enabling the province to enter into an agreement with the Dominion government for the carrying out of vocational training, in order that the young men who are properly trained to take their places in peace-time occupations.

"My government is pleased to announce that preferential treatment will be given British Columbians who served in the forces in connection with employment in the civil service.

"Measures will be introduced for the lightening of the tax burden.

"Provision will be asked for further financial assistance to cities, district municipalities and rural areas in connection with the cost of education.

"My government will cause an inquiry to be made into all fields of municipal endeavor and responsibility. It will also undertake a survey of the entire system of education and its cost in order to determine what additional assistance or reforms are deemed necessary in the light of modern requirements so that adjustments may be made at the termination of war.

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"Approval of the Legislature will be sought to extend the free distribution of textbooks to include all those required by students from grades 1 to 6, inclusive.

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Further measures of assistance to those in the armed services is proposed by the remission of all taxes levied on all lands and buildings during their periods of enlistment.

"You will be asked to give power to the government to remit, under special circumstances, the succession duties payable by the estate of a member of the forces who has lost his life as a result of the war.

"In conformity with the announcement made at the last session of the Legislature, the government caused several highway routes to be surveyed to determine the most suitable outlet to the Pacific Coast from the Peace River district. As a result of those surveys my government has decided to proceed with the location of the route recommended and you will be asked to make provision for the necessary funds to enable its immediate construction. This undertaking will retain for our people the benefits arising from the development of the great resources of that territory. This outlet also will serve to connect British Columbia's road system with the Alaska Highway.

"I am gratified to note that a Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire into all matters affecting our forest resources so that this industry may be perpetuated and our assets conserved.

"Members of the House will be asked to approve legislation authorizing regulations designed to promote the development of the potential oil and coal resources of the province.

AID TO PENSIONERS

"I note with pleasure that since the Legislature last met, the financial aid given to old-age pensioners has been supplemented,

and my government has made additional representations to the federal authorities asking for a further increase in the benefits and the lowering of the age limit.

"Two reports of the Public Utilities Commission in connection with the value and operation of the B.C. Electric Railway Co., Ltd., and subsidiary companies will be presented for your consideration.

"An interim report from the hydro-electric committee appointed since the last session of the Legislature, to study the feasibility of rural electrification, also will be submitted.

"The committee on civil service reorganization has made satisfactory progress and has outlined a basis for the regarding of positions and readjustments of salaries of government employees.

"The financial policy pursued during recent years has enabled the government to effect a considerable reduction in the public debt and, concurrently, a most substantial decrease in the amount and rate of interest payable. The resultant improvement in provincial credit is such as to command itself highly to all members of the Legislature.

"Minor legislation of a character designed to improve existing acts will be submitted.

"The public accounts will be presented and estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before you.

"I pray that the blessing of Divine Providence may rest upon your labors."

F.D.R. Says Japs To Be Punished

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt told a press-radio conference this afternoon that the Japanese responsible for atrocities against U.S. troops in the Philippines would be tracked down and punished.

He said the Federal Bureau of Investigation might have to be brought into action against them. The President expressed a view that the atrocities provided a "pretty good example" of Japanese mentality and he added that we are moving as fast as humanly possible.

Aklavik Epidemic

EDMONTON (CP)—Word has just reached here that 12 persons died as result of the influenza epidemic which struck Aklavik, Northwest Territories, shortly before Christmas. Aklavik is about 2,000 miles northwest of Edmonton, near the mouth of the Mackenzie River.

The epidemic, which spread throughout the town as Eskimos and Indians flocked in to spend the holiday season, made it a "ghost town" until early this month. Schools were closed, public gatherings canceled and trading at the stores was suspended.

Nearly 300 persons were stricken and all available heated houses or rooms were crowded to capacity, three or more families to a room, when the 55-bed Anglican hospital and 34-bed Roman Catholic hospital were filled. The Anglican resident school's 100 pupils and 70 from the Roman Catholic school were stricken.

2 Women Released

WINNIPEG (CP)—Mrs. Marguerite Abbott and Mrs. Molly McNeice were released from police custody today following the inquest into the mysterious death of two-year-old Wayne Abbott in a downtown rooming house here Jan. 19.

Mrs. Abbott, 22-year-old mother of the child, had been held on a coroner's warrant. Twice arrested, Mrs. McNeice was first held on a coroner's warrant, released, and then re-arrested last week-end pending investigation into a breach of the Manitoba Liquor Act.

The child's body was found in an upstairs room, its throat cut and head battered. A coroner's jury Monday night returned an open verdict, killed by "a person or persons unknown."

Police Chief George Smith said the "case is not closed." The men who have been working, night and day, will continue their investigation.

CANADIAN ALMANAC

Canadian Almanac for 1944, just issued, is the 97th consecutive annual edition, having been annually revised by Copp Clark Co., Toronto, or its predecessors since 1847.

The Canadian Almanac continues to be expanded along the lines of a directory of Canadian officials. In addition to Dominion cabinet ministers, members of the Senate and House of Commons, provincial ministers and members of legislatures, lists are included of department officials of both federal and provincial governments, Wartime Prices and Trade Board and other government boards and commissions, judges, court officials, clerks, secretaries and treasurers of municipalities, to mention only a few of the various lists. The volume contains over 750 pages and again includes a map of Canada.

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Planes Bomb Wake; U.S. Naval Force Attacks Marshalls

PEARL HARBOR (AP)—Bombing by two squadrons of seaplanes, intended to prevent Japan's Wake Island air base from interfering with the current U.S. offensive in mid-Pacific, was reported Monday night by the U.S. navy, but further operations of a mighty task force against the Marshalls were cloaked today by official silence.

Monday passed without word on the movements of the largest mass of warships ever sent against the Japanese. It was officially disclosed Saturday that a powerful assault on the Marshalls, 700 miles south of Wake, Sunday the naval units, including the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown, were reported to have moved closer to pour shells on the air bases and shipping lagoons of those atolls.

No official credence was given Tokyo radio reports that "Japanese army and navy units have intercepted powerful enemy units which have been attacking the Marshall group."

NO LOSSES

The Wake raid was made by between 14 and 30 seaplanes, each probably carrying more than a ton of bombs. None of the raiders was lost while making what was described officially as a "strong attack."

The Tokyo radio in a later broadcast Monday night acknowledged that a "superior enemy force has been raiding the Marshall Islands group" since early Sunday, but that details were lacking although "we can surmise the enemy has raided our islands with a task force on a large scale."

The broadcast assured Japanese audiences that "our army and navy forces garrisoned on the islands have intercepted and now are engaged in fierce fighting."

1,450 PLANES DOWNED

At Allied headquarters in New Guinea a South Pacific naval spokesman Monday reported 1,450 enemy planes downed in the past six months.

His figures make the Rabaul-Bougainville campaign one of the greatest Allied air victories of the war.

(The German-controlled Vichy radio quoted Tokyo reports today as saying U.S. forces attacking the Marshalls were "the most important ever to take part in such an operation." This broadcast said fighting of "extreme violence" was still under way.)

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NO WARTIME ELECTION

NO LONGER NEED THE TIME OF PAR-
liament at Ottawa be wasted on specu-
lation as to whether the Speech from the
Throne the Governor-General read last
Thursday was an election manifesto or a bill
of legislative fare which the government
desired to implement with as little delay as
possible. Mr. Mackenzie King completely
cleared up the point yesterday; he informed
the House of Commons that his ministry
did not intend to be "interrupted" by a
general election in wartime, and that he
preferred to stay in his post "until the war
is won." Statutory limitations, of course,
do not require the Prime Minister to ask
the people for new instructions before June
of next year. To what state the two Axis
enemies will be reduced by that time is
something that must remain in the realm
of conjecture. Everybody shares Mr. King's
personal hopes that it will not be necessary
to ask Parliament to renew its own life.

The decision of the Prime Minister will
be heartily approved by all except that
infinitesimal minority to whom political
strife is partisan manna from heaven. And
it will be recalled that after he had con-
ferred with the Liberal caucus and the
National Liberal Federation last September,
Mr. King listed four unequivocal conditions
which he considered essential for the
renewal of the present Parliament. It was natural
and prudent that he so protected himself. His
main proviso was that if "a group or com-
bination of groups in Parliament moved to
impede the work of Parliament or to mis-
represent and distort government policies"
to make it next to impossible for the govern-
ment to carry on, he would then deem it
necessary and desirable to act accordingly.
In other words, if either opposition party,
or both, felt inclined to force the issue, the
Prime Minister drew a pattern of the con-
duct that could be employed to alter the
policy concurred in by the rank and file of
the Liberal Party at the meetings in Ottawa
to which we have referred.

Nor need the Prime Minister worry
unduly because the present session has not
proceeded far enough to permit him to test
the general temper of the House—to see
whether any substantial element is in the
mood to challenge the other conditions he
laid down last September. What is apparent
to all save those who have neither ears to
hear nor eyes to see is that activities on the
various battlefronts—presage momentous
events at an early date. None knows what
precise form these may take; but no expert
knowledge or second sight is required to
predict that grim days with heavy casualty
lists are ahead. And when these develop-
ments are unfolding in dead earnest the
Canadian people as a whole will give short
shrill to any public man or woman who so
far forgets himself or herself as to play
party politics.

These are serious times. All legislative
bodies must attend strictly to their business
with a singleness of purpose which should
need no special emphasis. And in this
regard, incidentally, those newspaper critics
which likewise agree with all intelligent
people that a wartime general election is
neither desirable nor necessary will be assist-
ing the national war effort by confining their
criticism of governments to the practical
realm. No administration worth its salt, of
course, should turn a deaf ear to useful
suggestions. By the same token, however,
official possession of facts which cannot
always be made public may force decisions
from time to time that will be in conflict with
apparently reasonable demands. Total vic-
tory over the common enemy is the main
object to keep in mind.

TIME OF ANOTHER CHANCE

THE SEED CATALOGUES ARE OUT
and already the shop windows are dis-
playing the packaged seed for the new sea-
son. Under the stimulation of the litho-
grapher's art, the most entrancing visions
are being stirred up. Tomatoes so round
and red, heavy with juice, hanging lusciously
from dark green vines. Golden carrots of
a size and richness of color to baffle any
fly that might be so unpatriotic as to plan
a repetition of the parasitic depredations of
last season. Beans and peas, so fresh,
full and vividly green. Crisp, cool cucum-
bers loaded with vitamins and minerals. Cab-
bages that seem capable of growing and
growing indefinitely.

Handsome dividends are promised for
the 1944 Victory gardeners. Already the
faithful are paying heed and scanning the
prospects. Ambitions run high for greater
and intensified production this year. Where-
ever 1943's harvest realization fell short of
planting-time expectations; there is in evi-
dence a firm determination to overcome
the neglect or faults in cultivation technique
that might have been responsible.

The Victory Gardens of 1944 are in the
dream stage now. But they can be realities
and will be for those who begin now to plan
them realistically and steel themselves to
thwart the creeping inertia that annually de-
velops after the first enthusiasm begins to
wane after planting. The time of another
chance with its unlimited hopes is near at
hand.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES

DECISION TO INTRODUCE A MEASURE
making provision for family allowances
has been announced in the Speech from the
Throne at Ottawa. No details of the policy
have been given to the public, but forecasts
emanating from the capital are to the effect
that the basis of the system will be non-con-
tributory, that the allowances will be paid
to all families irrespective of income in
respect of children up to 16 years of age,
and that the rate may be \$9 a month for
each child.

The figure of \$9 a month derives from
the exemption equal to that amount for
each child provided for in the present
income tax. The principle of family allow-
ances is tied up with this impost. At present
heads of families with incomes that come
within the tax range are benefitted to the
extent of the \$9 a month exemption for each
child. Families with incomes below the
tax level and who therefore pay no tax
receive no corresponding allowance for each
child. It is argued that state family allow-
ances to all would iron out this inequality.
In effecting this, the present income tax
exemptions for children would be abolished
to put taxpayers and non-taxpayers on an
equal footing with respect to children.

The result would be that the income tax-
payer would lose the exemption for children
in his tax, but would receive instead the \$9
in cash for each child each month. On the
other hand, the man who does not earn
enough money to pay income tax and who
has heretofore received no allowance from
the state towards the cost of bringing up
his children would, like those in the income
tax class, be paid for each child \$9 a month
in cash—the sum which taxpayers are now
receiving as an allowance for dependents.

Behind the policy is the argument that
family needs vary according to the number
of children in the group, while most family
incomes in a wage-earning industrial type
of economy do not. Instead, family income
or wages are geared to the skill and pro-
ductivity of the family head in the factory
or office. This, it is generally conceded, is
inequitable and proper. Wage levels cannot
and should not be adjusted to the size of a man's family
responsibilities; they must be geared solely
to that man's worth to his employer. But
since family needs do vary greatly on account
of children and since, from the national point
of view, children as future citizens are of
overriding importance, opinion has been
growing in favor of some provision to secure
a decent minimum level of economic main-
tenance for the children themselves.

Family allowances are new for Canada.
Australia, however, has had a limited sys-
tem in operation since 1920 and a national
system for more than two years. New
Zealand also has a national system. There
have been schemes of a limited nature in
various parts of Europe. Introduction of
the system in Canada, nevertheless, is con-
sidered one of the most revolutionary steps
yet contemplated in our social security leg-
islation.

AT THE MARSHALLS

ADVANCES FROM ENEMY CAPITALS
insist that a major attack by United
Nations forces on the Marshall Islands al-
ready is under way. Washington has
decided to remain more or less silent on the
report for the moment. If the sustained
assault from the air in recent days can be
taken as any criterion, however, the world
may soon learn that the Allies at last are
on their way toward winning back territory
they did not possess before Pearl Harbor.
For more than 20 years the Nipponese
have spent large sums of money on the
fortification of these vitally strategic man-
dated islands. That the war lords of Tokyo
ignored the conditions under which they
were acquired surprised nobody who under-
stood Japanese duplicity. Nothing has been
left to chance; the invading forces will have
their work cut out to subdue the defences.
But the fact that what may be regarded as
an integral part of the Nipponese empire
proper is now in the active sphere of air, sea
and land operations has a significance all
its own.

SLIGHTLY VARIED

CANADIANS WHO WISH THEY WERE
mind-readers, lawyers or accountants
when they are confronted by their income
tax forms should consider their neighbors
on the south side of the 49th parallel. Five
members of the editorial staff of a Cleve-
land newspaper posed identical questions to
the taxation authorities. What were the
answers? Well, believe it or not and with
apologies to Ripley, the replies varied to
such an extent that should bring much satis-
faction to our harassed officials at Ottawa.
They ranged all the way from an intimation
to one puzzled scribe that he was entitled
to a rebate of \$13 to a solemn declaration
that one luckless taxpayer owed the United
States treasury more than \$200. Remember,
fellow Canadians, the questions asked by the
men of the great industrial city on Lake
Erie were identical. But it is hoped that
Finance Minister Ilsley was not listening to
the CBS broadcast which carried this income
tax story over its network last night. He
might think his tax forms are much clearer
than the proverbial mud.

NOTES

Blessed are the orphans. For want of
coddling, nine in ten grow up to be self-
reliant and independent.

Naturalists say squirrels are dumb, since
they hide nuts and forget where they were
hidden. Ask any housewife who "puts
things away."

Note to fond parents: A navy captain
writes that he must fight against cowardice
today because his parents wouldn't let him
fight as a kid.

Bruce Hutchison

WINNIPEG.

STRANGE SIGHT

ONE OF THE most remarkable sights on
the prairies of Canada is a tropical gar-
den, blooming in the snow. In the city park
here is a gigantic greenhouse but it is no
mere glass shed of flowerpots. The interior
is inhabited by large tropical trees (among
them bananas), great ferns, orchids and
hanging mosses; so that, on entering it you
are almost overwhelmed by the rich and
sensuous smell of the jungle.

You wander about a woodland path as
if you were in Borneo and you cannot be-
lieve that a few feet away, just on the other
side of a thin sheet of glass, lies the prairies,
little changed since it belonged to God and
the buffalo.

As you walk about the greenhouse you
are struck with the thought that man is in-
deed a curious creature—a two-forked radish,
curiously carved, as Carlyle said, and yet
with something of the god in him. For he
is not satisfied merely with living on this
frozen sweep of land. Something, a divine
spark, compels him to erect here an altar to
his better nature; and instead of a brass idol,
instead of some dumb, insensate image, he
sets up in Winnipeg what his heart most
desires—warmth, growth, flowers, perfume.

Outside a blizzard cuts your face. Inside
the lazy aroma of the equator fills your
nostrils. No more remarkable change can
be imagined than to cross this threshold
from one world to another in less than 12
inches.

BRUTAL SIDE

BUT THE BRUTAL side of man still lives
on, close by. For just outside the green-
house the city has established a menagerie,
and in it has imprisoned all the lesser ani-
mals he can lay his hands on. Here are
polar bears, pacing wearily up and down
their concrete pits, still hoping to find an
escape. Here are great timber wolves, trot-
ting about in their cages, sniffing at the
iron fence, fancying that sometime a hole
will appear and they will return to their be-
loved wilderness. Here are great eagles, for-
ever imprisoned, coyotes, buffalo, and musk
oxen and lordly elk, who snort at you with
a fine grace.

For some extraordinary reason, man has
to assert his own superiority by enslaving
the animals which he calls his inferiors, and
the inferiors occasionally make their protest
in such a shriek and chatter of sound that
you tremble with fear. Did you ever listen
to the piercing bark of the coyote and the
wild cry of imprisoned birds? It is the
most alarming sound you can imagine, and
you wonder if the iron bars will hold.

VAIN HOPE

PERHAPS SOME DAY they will rust away
and the unhappy prisoners will burst out
and consume their masters; just as I hope
and trust that some day, somehow, Ursus
Kermodei, in our own Beacon Hill Park—
that forgotten bear who has no friend in the
world but me—will contrive to escape and
making her way unerringly to the City Hall
will attack the pants of the aldermen who
first contrived her imprisonment.

Hard by the menagerie they have their
civic rose gardens and it raises a lump in
one's Victorian throat to look at them; for
the better roses are all done up in vast robes
of straw for the winter and their survival
even then is doubtful; and an hour after I
had looked at these pathetic exhibits,
crowned with snow, I found in my mail a
series of clippings from this newspaper, sent
here by some diabolical torturer in Victoria,
to record the first snowdrop at home, the first
crocus and then the first daffodil, just to
make me mad.

Of course, I did not show them to any-
one. Most people here would not believe
them. The remainder would take it as an
insult to Winnipeg's climate—the best in the
world by common agreement here—and all
would end by telling me, as many have al-
ready, that if I don't like it here I had bet-
ter go back to where I came from. Which
is not a bad idea at all and, in due course,
I shall follow it.

VIEWS OF A RAILWAY WORKER

From Winnipeg Free Press.
What some, and probably most, of the
railway workers think of Mr. Coldwell's
policy of nationalizing the Canadian Pacific
Railway and maintaining that system and
the Canadian National Railway still in com-
petition, will be seen from a letter on today's
correspondence page. This railroad worker
remarks that the C.C.F. leader knows that
the railway men oppose amalgamation, and
that he is trying to be all things to all men
by proposing that the government, owning
the two railways, should keep them separate.

"We know," he says, "that state own-
ship of both railways means amalgamation.
The lessons learned from countries where
railroads are owned by the state proves to
us that there is no competition, and that the
workers are shunted about at the whim of
the directing bureaucracy with very little
regard for the individuals affected."

He is very critical of Mr. Coldwell, who,
he says, on one platform condemns the com-
petitive system as the evil which breeds
unemployment, while "to the railroad work-
ers of Canada he praises the competitive
spirit so as not to lose their votes. He
evidently underestimates the intelligence of
railroaders."

No one could come to any other con-
clusion as to the reason for Mr. Coldwell's
proposal, which is so at variance with his
previous attitude and with the basic social-
istic idea. But the hopes of his party depend
largely on labor support, and he is evidently
influenced by this consideration.

How Many People Can We Support?

By JAMES MORTON

The question of the number
and quality of immigrants to be
admitted into Canada after the
war is a vexed one, and must be
regulated by our capacity to
absorb and support them when
they come. All this is closely
related to our present and future
population. What the latter
may be cannot be accurately
determined yet.

In his lecture here, Professor
Warren of the U.B.C., ventured
the opinion that Canada, with all
its resources developed, could
maintain a population running
from 15,000,000 to 30,000,000.
This differs sharply from the
estimate of Professor Taylor of
Toronto in his "Canada and Geo-
politics" that the Dominion could
support 50,000,000 people on the
North American standard of liv-
ing or 100,000,000 on the Euro-
pean standard. Which is right
I am not competent to say, but
would be inclined to accept Pro-
fessor Warren's 30,000,000 as
the minimum and Professor
Taylor's 50,000,000 as the maxi-
mum which the Dominion could
support on the world's highest
standard of living.

It seems to me that there are
four primary needs of human
life placed in the following order:
1. Food.
2. Shelter.
3. Clothing.
4. Fuel.

We are animal in our physical
characteristics and if mankind
were thrown, Adam-like, naked
on the world, the first require-
ment would be food. This they
would satisfy from wild vege-
tables and fruit or the chase.
Next, like beasts that have had
their fill, they would seek places
of shelter, caves, and snow drifts
or frost. Caves and hollow trees or
fossils of timber fallen in the forest
would be their natural resort
till such time as they learned to
build homes for themselves.

PRIMARY REQUIREMENTS

The first animal's skin raised
to shield the body from the wind
would suggest the desirability of
clothing, and from that to woven
fibres would be the next step.
Fire would probably be the latest
acquisition. Lightning striking a
dry tree, the calorific of chafing
timber, or the heat of the sun on
combustible rubbish would con-
vince them of the warmth and
comfort of a fireside. A spark
struck from stone or flint and
falling on tinder-like moss or dry
leaves would suggest a means of
kindling. Thus they would be
able to have warmth in their
shelters and to render their food
more palatable and tasty. With
these four needs provided they
would have the means of life
and the beginning of civilization.
Since these four primary re-
quirements hold to this day it is
interesting to inquire how well
Canada can supply them. Of all
necessary food there is enough

of her munitions industry. Or
consider Canada's most valuable
output of motorized vehicles of
all sorts, which started to flow
to the war front almost as soon
as war was declared. This would
have been impossible without a
well established automobile man-
ufacturing industry. The same
applies all along the line; war
production had expanded on the
solid foundations of established
industries.

The issue, first copies of which
were made public here today by
Hugh Dalton and P. T. Stern,
presents a completely revised
directory of government war or-
ganizations in Canada and illus-
trated reviews of the develop-
ment of war industry in the vari-
ous provinces.

"For example, the steel indus-
try provides the most essential
raw material for manufacture of
munitions," says the article.
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highly efficient condition at out-
break of war enabled Canada to
proceed at once with development

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import. Tea, coffee, oranges and
lemons we cannot profitably
grow. We could produce enough
sugar from beets, but in normal
times it may be better to import
cane sugar in exchange for some
of our surplus foods. In any
case we are well provided with
all the foodstuffs essential to
life, and if need be could dispense
with imported trimmings.

SHORT ON GLTHING

The second requirement can
easily be met. With an abun-
dant of timber, clay, cement,
lime and stone we should have
no trouble in sheltering a bigger
population than we can support.
For fuel we have wood and coal
in plenty, and, though short of
oil, we have sufficient water
power to generate electric heat
enough for the nation.

Of the four primaries our one
shortage is in clothing. We can-
not grow cotton and our wool
supply is quite insufficient for
the needs of a climate such as
ours. With our long winters in
the farming areas we cannot
hope to raise sheep in competi-
tion with Australia and New
Zealand with ranges that can be
grazed throughout the year.
Even Argentina and inhospitable
Patagonia can do it more eco-
nomically than the average Cana-
dian farmer can hope to do. So
here again we must exchange
our surplus products in order to
warm our backs. It is true that
the future holds the prospect of
synthetic clothing manufactured
from wood, coal and similar pro-
ducts, but outside of ladies'
hosiery, these are not yet within
the compass of everyday wear
and tear. Furs are plentiful, but
largely worn for ornament. In
the utilitarian sense we cannot
revert to the cave man.

TOO SOON TO PLACE LIMIT

Thus we find that Canada is
well endowed with three out of
the four primary requisites of
human existence. From our sur-
plus in food and material for
shelter and fuel we should be
able to buy all the clothing
needed, and to import such latter
day necessities as rubber, oil,
medicinal supplies and citrus
fruits. To these may be added
many of the luxuries that make
for the enjoyment, if not for the
improvement, of life.

I believe, with these as a basis,
we may provide for a population
beyond the academic computa-
tions of learned professors. A
country's population, however
large, seems to be something like
a street car—there is always
room for one more. Intensive
cultivation of our vast prairies
should yield 10 times what they
now produce, and who can set a
limit to the farmer's northward
march? It is true we have our

Canada's War Production Record
Canada's war production
reached a peak in 1943, according
to January issue of "Industrial
Canada," presenting statistics as
well as charts and pictures as
evidence of the expansion.
Had the Dominion not been
well established as an industrial
nation prior to the war, it could
not have attained the record of
production it now so proudly pro-
claims, "Industrial Canada"
points out. While amazing pro-
gress has been made in the four
years and many new develop-
ments have taken place, these
have all been based on existing
industries.

"For example, the steel indus-
try provides the most essential
raw material for manufacture of
munitions," says the article.
"Existence of this industry in a
highly efficient condition at out-
break of war enabled Canada to
proceed at once with development

Arctic Circle, the Laurentian
shield, and the bad lands of the
great northwest, but who knows
what mineral possibilities there
lie hidden? When we look at
what is being done in northern
Russia and then turn our heads
to see pitch blende mining on
Great Bear Lake, we must admit
that we cannot tell what poten-
tialities the great north holds in
store. Anyhow it seems rather
early yet to place a limit to the
expansion of population in a
country of such magnitude.

KEEP IMMIGRATION SELECTIVE

If Professor Warren's mini-
mum immigration, since, in
about a generation, the natural
increase should nearly reach
that point. Indeed, British Co-
lumbia only needs about 200,000
more and another 4,000,000 would
amplify supply the whole of Can-
ada. Still, I think we should
take the risk and continue to ex-
pand till, like the United States,
we reach the point where limita-
tion is necessary.

In the meantime, immigration
should be selective, with quotas
fixed according to the assimila-
bility of the races wishing to
come in. To restrict it to our
own kith and kin would be nar-
row, selfish and the worst of
world politics, since it would
arouse in the excluded the bit-
terness and envy that are the
seed of future wars.

SPENCER'S FOODS

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY VALUES

Bacon No. 1	18¢	Eggs	30¢
Side, sliced, 1/2 lb.	18¢	A Pullets, doz.	30¢
Lard Silverleaf, 1-lb. carton	15¢	Bologna 1/2 lb.	10¢
COTTAGE ROLLS Smoked, Tenderized, lb.	39¢		

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Make Your Coupons Go Further

Blade Roasts	18¢	Shoulder	
Per lb.	18¢	Steak	19¢
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Roasts	22¢	Per lb.	13¢
Pork Steaks	26¢	Round Steak	34¢
Per lb.	26¢	Per lb.	34¢
Mutton	15¢	Stew Beef	22¢
Shoulder, 1/2 lb.	15¢	Per lb.	22¢
Hamburger	18¢	Pork Roasts	25¢
Per lb.	18¢	Per lb.	25¢

SERVICE MEATS

Minced Round	35¢	Shoulders	24¢
Steak, lb.	35¢	Lamb, lb.	24¢
Centre Plate Beef, lb.	16¢	Pork Steak, lb.	27¢
Round Steak, lb.	35¢	Pork Sausage, lb.	25¢

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STORE HOURS:
9 a.m. till 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
9 a.m. till 1 p.m.

White Coveralls FOR WAR WORKERS



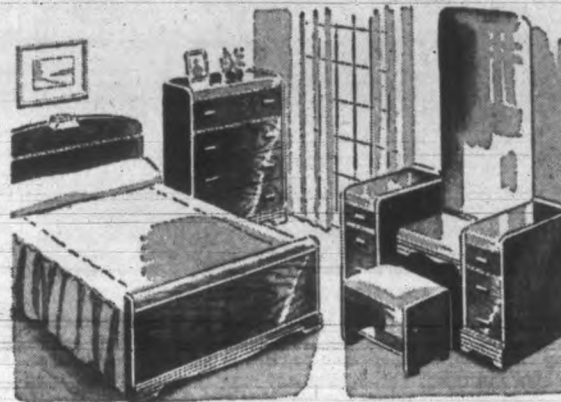
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—Whitewear, First Floor



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Built of selected hardwood in rich walnut finish. The vanity has a full-length BEVELED PLATE GLASS mirror, 24 inches wide by 42 inches long. Drop-centre front with seven convenient drawers. Chest has four full-width drawers. Bed has full-width head and footboard. Bench has full-panel ends and is upholstered in silk.

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Sturdily-built Chests with four full-width drawers. Surfaces sanded, ready for staining or painting. Over-all width 25 inches, depth 17 inches, height 36 inches.

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Lexol will restore leather to proper condition, soften and preserve it, and will not stain leather of any color. Try it on gloves that have been stiffened by water. Sold in 35¢ or 1.00 Containers.

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Excellent Quality Shirts That Fit Well and Wear Well

RED PLAID WORK SHIRTS—Made from a soft twill material, perfectly finished. Each has pleated front and pocket. Full cut. Sizes 14½ to 17. **1.65**

WORK SHIRTS of a very strong and reliable English cloth. Called a semi-dress Work Shirt because of the appearance, of careful finish and shown in fancy stripes. Colors blue, brown and green. Sizes 14½ to 17. **1.75**

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GLOVES OF SPLIT HORSEHIDE—Soft, pliable and neat-fitting. Sizes 8 to 10½. **1.00**

DOESKIN GLOVES with inside seams and welted thumb, finished with band top. Medium sizes. A pair. **1.35**

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SIZES 4 TO 6. **7.95**

Brown or navy backgrounds with a plaid trim on a three-piece Woolen Snow Suit.

WOOLEN SNOW SUITS

SIZE 6 ONLY. **9.95**

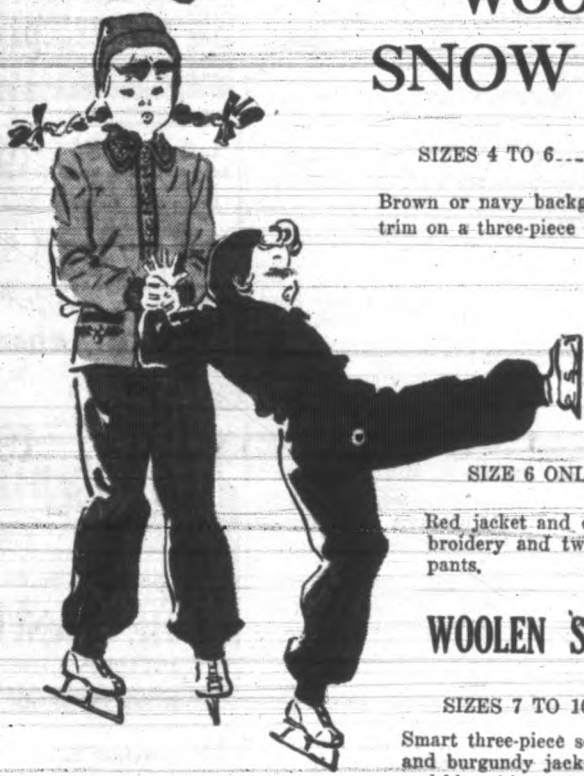
Red jacket and cap with peasant embroidery and two pockets. Blue ski pants.

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SIZES 7 TO 10. **10.95**

Smart three-piece sets consisting of blue and burgundy jackets with two pockets and blue ski pants and cap to match.

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Special Values Offered for Wednesday Morning

FOR CLEARANCE IN THE TOILETRIES

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4 Only, LUCERNE BATH CRYSTALS—5-lb. bag. To clear at	73¢
2 Only, WOOD'S PERFUMED BATH OIL—Reg. 3.00 bottle. To clear at	1.50
NIVEA BASIC SKIN SOAP—Box of 2 cakes	69¢
GLYCERIN AND ROSE WATER—8-ounce bottle	35¢
COD LIVER OIL CAPSULES—Box of 100	1.25
ALLENBURY'S MALTED MILK—5-lb. tin	2.75
CHARMAINE LANOATED HAND LOTION—Reg. 39¢. To clear at	19¢
CAMPANA'S ITALIAN BALM—New shipment, bottle	35¢
3 Only, PRINCESS PAT ICE ASTRINGENT VANISHING CREAM—Reg. 94¢. To clear at	43¢

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CLEARANCE BETTER GRADE SHOES 4.98 a pair

Cleanup values that you can't afford to miss! Included are pumps and ties in brown, blue and black in a choice of suedes and leather. If you need new shoes for work or dress, plan to make an early selection tomorrow!

—Women's Shoes, First Floor

CLEAN-UP OF ODD CURTAINS AND SAMPLE PAIRS MANY ONLY HALF PRICE SINGLE CURTAINS

1 Only, MADRAS CURTAINS—2½ yards long. Reg. 1.00. For	50¢
1 Only, LACE CURTAIN—2½ yards long. Reg. a pair. 1.75. Single curtain	50¢
1 Only, LACE CURTAIN—2½ yards long. Reg. a pair 4.50. Single curtain	1.25
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1 Only, CASEMENT CURTAIN—1½ yards long. Reg. 3.95. For	2.00
2 Only, DADO MADRAS PANELS—1½ yards long. Reg. 1.95. For	1.00
1 Only, RAYON NET CURTAIN—2½ yards long. Reg. a pair 5.95. Single curtain	1.50

Numerous Odd Curtains in Various Lengths Equally Good Values

PAIRS OF CURTAINS

1 PAIR OF RAYON CURTAINS—Both right hand. Reg. 5.50. For	2.75
1 PAIR LACE CURTAINS—2½ yards long. Damaged. Reg. 4.50. For	2.25
1 PAIR SUNDOWN CASEMENT CURTAINS—1½ yards long. Reg. 4.50 a pair. For	2.25
3 PAIRS OF SHORT RUFFLED CURTAINS—Reg. 98¢. As is, a pair	50¢
1 PAIR OF MONKS CLOTH CURTAINS—1 2/3 yards long. Reg. a pair 5.00. For	3.95

Several Short Pairs of Caseament Curtains At Equally Good Values

—Draperies, Second Floor

Special Wednesday Morning Values on the Bargain Highway

NO PHONE ORDERS

6 Only, Girls' Jumbo Knit CARDIGAN SWEATERS of good quality all-wool yarns in red shade, with fancy shawl collar. Size 32 only. All slightly shopsoiled. Regular 2.95 each. To clear at	1.95
50 Pairs Only, WOMEN'S RAYON PANTIES—Made from popular satin-stripe cloth in tearose and white. Slightly substandards of a higher-priced line. Small, medium and large sizes. A pair	49¢
Clearance of BETTER-QUALITY DRESSES—All smart styles and excellent quality plain crepes. Some slightly shopsoiled; others just clear-up oddments. Broken sizes.	
12 only, values to 15.95, to clear each	5.00
5 only, values to 22.75, to clear each	9.95
10 Only, MISSES' TWO-PIECE SKATING SUITS of excellent quality wool cloth. Styled with plain navy jacket and mottled tone skirt, finished with extra full sweep. Sizes 14, 16 and 18 only. 10.95 values. To clear, each	5.00
50 Only, WOODEN BASKETS—Either damaged or soiled. Will prove handy for around the house or garden this spring. To clear, each	5¢
15 Only, YOUTHS' FELT HATS—Several shades and smart styles, neatly finished and lined. Sizes 6½ to 7. Values to 1.95. Special, each	79¢
24 Only, WOMEN'S SLIPS—Plain or tailored styles, of good quality suede taffeta, with adjustable shoulder straps. Sizes 34 and 36 only. To clear each	69¢
30 Only, WOMEN'S SPUN DRESSES of good quality floral or novelty print cloths. A choice of shades. Sizes 12 to 20. Regular 3.98. To clear, each	1.95
7 Only, COTTON JACKETS of good-weight, well-woven cloth that could be used for smocks, etc. Shades of blue or pink. Sizes 16 and 18 only. All shopsoiled. Regular 1.98. To clear, each	79¢
10 Only, WOMEN'S MATERNITY DRESSES—Fashioned in a pleasing manner from nice quality crepes. Plain shades of navy, rose, blue, etc. All slightly shopsoiled. Sizes 14 to 20. Regular 4.95. To clear, each	2.98
20 Pairs Only, MEN'S COTTON-ADE PANTS of nice quality cloth, but all are classed as "seconds" being made from slightly shaded cloths, but extra good value for a work pant. Sizes 32 to 42. Regular 2.98. To clear, each	1.99

Good Values In the Boys' Store

YOUTHS' WINDBREAKERS—Suitable for present wear. Well lined and zipper-fastened. Each has 2 pockets. Sizes 32, 34 and 36	2.49
BOYS' SHIRTS of dark material. Suitable for work or school. Sizes 12 to 14½. Each	49¢
Pyjamas of STRIPED FLANNELETTE—Various sizes	99¢
BOYS' COAT SWEATERS—Blue and wine. Two-tone shades. Button-front and 2 pockets. Sizes 26 to 34	1.00
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—Boys' Store, Government St.

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The name implies everything, for they are made of soft, pliable black kid uppers, flexible leather soles, strap with button.

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Mothers don't scold the children if they rebel at drinking milk. Make them rennet-custards with either "JUNKET" RENNET POWDER (six flavours) or "JUNKET" RENNET TABLETS (flavour to taste). These delicious desserts will be liked by the whole family. So easy to make, too. No cooking as they do not contain eggs or gelatin. Simply stir into lukewarm milk.

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New Cream Deodorant

Safely helps Stop Perspiration

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1. Does not rot dresses or men's shirts. Does not irritate skin. 2. No waiting to dry. Can be used right after shaving. 3. Prevents under-arm odor, helps stop perspiration safely. 4. A pure, white, antiseptic, stainless vanishing cream. 5. Awarded Approval Seal of American Institute of Laundering—harmless to fabric. Use and regulate.

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Girl Guide Notes

North District. A combined meeting of third north company and sixth north pack was held. One guide and two brownies were enrolled and four brownies were transferred to guides. A program of games and stunts was carried on and refreshments were served by three guides who were being tested for the hostess badge. A meeting of the local association was held later in the evening and the following officers elected: President, Mrs. Bish; vice-president, Mrs. Matthews; secretary, Mrs. Ellis.

North Quadra. Local association met when reports of the year's work were read by the president, Mrs. Massey and Acting Brown Owl, Mrs. Pritchard. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. Massey; vice-president, Mrs. Marling; secretary, Mrs. Main.

Sixth Victoria East—Joan of Arc Company had as their guest at the last meeting Miss Marjorie Anstey, captain of Lady Douglas Company. Meeting opened with inspection, the company forming a horseshoe and the color party. Kay Foster, Nancy Carmichael and Gill Watson, marched on with the Union Jack. The recruits, Marilyn Foster, Patricia George, Patricia Osborough, Barbara Rose and Anne Elizabeth Teale, were enrolled by Mrs. R. A. Wilson, captain. Each patrol was given compass directions, and had to reach a certain place, the Pimpernel patrol being the winner.

First Victoria West Company—Meeting, held Saturday, opened with inspection. Pat Clarke, color bearer, assisted by Dieder MacKenzie and Virginia Moffit, marched on colors for the salute as the company marched into the hall.

Canadian Daughters' League, Assembly No. 5, Thursday, 8, Shrine Hall.

Carne Rebekah Lodge, No. 45, Thursday, 8, I.O.O.F. Hall. Dutch whist party will follow.

Senior Branch, St. Matthias W.A., Wednesday, 2.30, Parish Hall. Misses Illingworth and Hanna will speak.

LAKE HILL C.W.L. A committee was formed to call on parishioners at the last meeting of the C.W.L. Lake Hill Subdivision. Mrs. L. S. Heather presiding. Father T. J. Mangan attended. Conveners for the card party, to be held in the Lake Hill Community Hall Feb. 7 at 8, are Mesdames C. Hutchinson, L. Cockerill and Heather. Future meetings will be held second Wednesday in the month at 8.30 in the vestry.

Lodge Princess Alexandra Daughters of England, Thursday, Sons of England Hall, 7.30. Anniversary social.

Prairie Couple Mark Golden Wedding



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH MILNER

A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Milner, 3939 Cumberland Road, from 2 till 5, and from 7 till 9 marks their golden wedding anniversary. They were married in Boulder, Colorado, on Mrs. Milner's birthday, Feb. 1, 1894, and have two sons, John David in Edmonton, William Clifford in Windsor and a daughter, Mrs. J. McCormick. The latter arrived in Victoria last week-end from her home near Edmonton to be with her parents on their anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Milner are well-known among prairie people now making their home in Victoria. They moved into Edmonton in 1898 during the Klondike Rush and Mr. Milner worked for the Dominion government there until 1931. He then spent three years as mining recorder and land agent in the Northwest Territories until his retirement in 1934. They have made their home in Victoria since then.

Personal Notes

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. C. Woodward received members of the Legislature and their wives and husbands at an informal reception at Government House this afternoon, following the opening of the session.

Woodward welcomed the guests, wearing a becoming two-piece suit of aquamarine silk crepe trimmed with grey caracul, and a matching hat, also trimmed with the caracul. She was accompanied by her private secretary, Miss Ruth MacLean. Pastel spring flowers were arranged in the drawing-room, while daffodils were used in decoration of the tea table.

Miss Hilda Cryderman, educational councillor to the women's forces of the Pacific Command, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hume of Kaleden, B.C., who spent three weeks in Victoria, are now the guests of Capt. and Mrs. Walter Hammersley, Vancouver.

Mrs. W. S. Brooks of Vancouver is the guest of Miss Margaret Watson, Rockland Avenue.

Mrs. F. R. Thurston from Port Moody is spending a few days in Victoria.

Cmdr. and Mrs. F. L. Philpott of Ottawa are sojourning at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. H. P. Cowan, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Henning, and Miss I. Gridland are among Empress Hotel visitors from Toronto.

Mr. George Lloyd Smith has returned to his home at Langford Lake, after spending three weeks in Vancouver.

Mr. Don Cromie, publisher of the Vancouver Sun, and Mrs. Cromie are in Victoria for the opening of the Legislature.

L. A. Shepherd, M.L.A., and his brother, Mr. D. G. Shepherd from New Westminster, are at the Strathcona Hotel while Parliament is in session.

Four visitors from Port Orchard, Wash., at the Empress Hotel are Misses Winnifred McCloud, Anne Elfers, Sarah Ruscha and Bernadine Coulton.

United States guests at the Empress are Col. and Mrs. G. Villaret, Pasadena; Capt. R. F. Holaday, Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. French of Seattle.

Mrs. A. S. Minnion, 2358 Beach Drive, left Sunday for Calgary, where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. MacKay, 2322 Carlton Street, for a few days.

Brig. and Mrs. L. W. Miller will arrive in Vancouver Wednesday to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Turner, en route to their home in Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Clayton Drum of Summerside, P.E.I., who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fraser Drum in Toronto, have now come on to Victoria where they will live.

Sgt. K. B. Hincks, R.C.A.F., and Mrs. Hincks and little son, Donald Gordon, have left for Lethbridge, where the former is stationed, after visiting in Langford and Victoria.

Mrs. Art Ogilvie and her son, Garry, who spent the past month in Port Alberni visiting relatives, have returned to their home on the Island Highway, Langford.

Mrs. J. R. Costigan, Vancouver, is recuperating from a serious illness, and is spending a prolonged visit with her daughter, Mrs. John T. Gawthrop, 1290 Topaz Avenue.

Vancouverites in Victoria are Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Minshall at the Strathcona, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dennison, Miss Irene Mulvick, Mrs. Thos. Steward and Mrs. H. S. Watson at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. Gordon S. Wismer, K.C., and Mrs. Wismer arrived from Vancouver this morning for the opening of the House. Other Vancouver visitors at the Empress include Maj. W. P. Byrne, Capt. A. W. Lutes, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Leek, Lieut. Louis LeBourdais, M.L.A., and Brig. H. W. Murdoch.

AWL Pamela Bennett, R.C.A.F. (W.D.), who has been taking basic training at Rockcliffe and Toronto, visited her mother, Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Oak Bay, over the week-end before being posted to Vancouver.

Mrs. Rene Godfrey, wife of the army's chief camouflage officer on this coast, and formerly of

Weddings

MITCHELL—FLENDERLEITH

Margaret, only daughter of Mrs. Flenderleith, 1653 Burton Avenue, and the late William Flenderleith, became the bride Jan. 22 in St. Mark's Church of Thomas Alexander Mitchell, second son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell, 915 Dunn Avenue. Rev. O. L. Jull performed the ceremony.

An afternoon frock of deep violet silk crepe was chosen by the bride, with a matching sailor hat and brown accessories. Her corsage bouquet was composed of pink carnations, purple heather and freesias. The bride's only jewelry was a double strand of pearls, a gift from her mother, who gave her daughter in marriage. Mrs. W. Mitchell, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor, frocked in Queen's blue silk crepe, matching hat, navy blue accessories and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations and freesias. W. Mitchell supported his brother.

A small reception for members of the family was held at the home of the bride's mother. Among the wedding gifts was a silver water jug, presented by the staff of Nelson Junior High School, of which the bride was a member, prior to her marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell have taken up residence at 1653 Burton Avenue, following a honeymoon on the mainland, for which the bride donned a tweed coat with wolf collar over her wedding ensemble.

FABER—HASLAM

The marriage was solemnized at the Victoria Truth Centre Saturday evening when Rev. E. M. Smiley united Mrs. Kathleen Haslam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Galloway of Calgary, formerly of Victoria, and Henry Faber, Victoria.

The bride chose a dressmaker suit of mauve wool jersey with black accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias. Mrs. Ross Elson of Halifax attended her sister, frocked in Queen's blue crepe with black accessories and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations and heather. Anthony Gruber supported the groom.

A reception was held at the home of Mrs. J. Piercy, 1503 Chambers Street. Mr. and Mrs. Faber are now residing in Victoria after a short honeymoon.

DREWRY—WREN

On Thursday evening in Belmont United Church manse, Rev. H. Kerley united in marriage Dorothy Marion, daughter of Mr. E. Wren, Lashburn, Sask., and Gnr. Neil Thomas Drewry, son of Mrs. J. B. Drewry, 1540 Jubilee Avenue.

The bride wore a powder blue redingote ensemble with wine accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. A. Robertson, who chose a rose redingote with blue accessories and a corsage bouquet of white carnations. Best man was Mr. Andrew T. Robertson.

A reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Robertson, brother-in-law and sister-of-the-bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Drewry left for a honeymoon in Vancouver, en route to Ontario where the groom is stationed. Going away the bride donned a grey tweed coat over her wedding outfit.

Victoria is now organizing activities at the Allied Officers' Club in Vancouver. She is arranging evening dances and "high teas" and music on Sundays.

SO. Joyce Dickson, R.C.A.F. (W.D.), who has just graduated as an honor student from an Officers' Training Course in Toronto, is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Daniels, 94 Linden Avenue, before being posted to Vancouver.

Mrs. E. C. MacKay, 1138 Burdett Avenue, left Sunday for Halifax, where she will join her husband. Prior to her departure, Mrs. MacKay was guest of honor at a farewell party given by a number of her friends at the home of Mrs. A. S. Minnion, 2358 Beach Drive.

Mrs. E. L. McNiven, 520 Falkland Road, has as her guest, Mrs. T. A. Martin, who has come from Calgary to attend the annual ice carnival of the Victoria Skating Club Feb. 16 and 17, in which her daughter, AWL Shirley Martin, R.C.A.F. (W.D.), will be one of the outstanding performers.

Mrs. W. E. Rayfuse, manager of the Victoria Branch, National Housing Registry, left today for visits to Duncan, Courtenay, Port Alberni and Nanaimo, to attend meetings of Women's Regional Advisory Committee, display the traveling wardrobe of remake garments and visit the branches of National Housing Registry.

Ration Coupons

Ration coupons valid Wednesday are: Tea or coffee, Nos. 14 to 29; sugar, Nos. 14 to 24; preserves, Nos. D1 to D11; butter, Nos. 46 and 47 meat, Nos. 35 and 36. One meat coupon now equals a quarter-pound can of salmon.

This weather—

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—is the answer!

Red Cross Notes

Honorary treasurer of the Victoria city and district branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society acknowledges receipt of the following donations: Navy Yard Riggers, \$4.40; paymaster, R.C.N. College, Royal Roads, \$16.70; Overseas Nurses' Unit Red Cross, \$27.75; Tubercular Veterans' Auxiliary, \$27.75; Gonzales Girl Guide Company, 50c; Loyal Eight Bridge Club, \$3; Gorge Unit, \$1.88; Belmont Unit, \$3; Prospect Lake Unit, \$23; Shirley Unit, \$20; administrator of estate of Martin Landon, \$1,500; Royal Oak Unit, \$37; Civil Service Unit, \$5.59; Jack Genge, \$3; North Saanich and Sidney Unit, \$24.75; Oak Bay Unit, \$30; miscellaneous donations, \$50; Prisoners of War fund, \$13; Superfluities Store, \$2; Greek Relief, \$20.

SWEATERS NEEDED

There is an urgent need for turtle-necked sweaters for the navy and air force, Mrs. C. F. McEachren, Toronto, newly appointed chairman of the Women's War Work committee, says. After this comes long-sleeved sweaters of all types.

"Get out as quickly as possible all wool you have on hand for this purpose," writes Mrs. McEachren. "To speed production of sweaters, we are going to laborate on the making of a sweater. Have women who do not knit canvass their friends for knitters."

C.C.F. VARIETY FAIR

Variety fair, directed by Victoria Central C.C.F. Club drew an audience of 200 to Woodsworth Hall Saturday. Participating in the program were Delmer Crow, violin; Maxine Simpson, song; Barbara Graves, dance; Doreen Collier, piano; Betty Lou Priesen, songs; Peggy Balma and May Davies, skit; Yvonne Simpson, song and tap dance. Stalls did a brisk business; games were played, and although dancing was not on the program, after the persons had enjoyed the refreshments served by Mrs. Crow and her helpers, an impromptu orchestra was formed and the floor was soon filled with couples.

Gorge Unit. Will meet Thursday at 2 in the Gorge Presbyterian Church hall.

SECOND MILE CLUB

Annual reports were read and the following officers elected at a meeting of the Second Mile Club of First Baptist Church: President, Mrs. G. Bishop; vice-president, Mrs. D. Pearce; secretary, Mrs. M. Hebdien; treasurer, Mrs. J. Mackay. The president appointed conveners for the visiting, program and flowers committees.

WOMEN'S ROUND TABLE

"Canada's Prisons" will be the subject discussed at the meeting of the Women's Round Table Feb. 9 at 8, in the City Hall. Mrs. W. E. Mitchell and Mrs. F. Barr will be the speakers and Mrs. J. M. Thomas will lead the discussions. Study lists are available at the Public Library.

Final plans for the Stagetette's Valentine Dance on Feb. 10 at the Crystal Garden were made at meeting of the club Monday night. Miss Jean Thomson was appointed press agent. Members will visit Victoria Military Hospital Sunday.

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Peranan group of the Women's Society of the Emmanuel Baptist Church met, Mrs. John I. Smith, presiding. Devotional period on the theme, "Trusting God for the Unknown" was led by the president and the Gospel message in song was given by Miss Gladys Rowley, accompanied by Mrs. G. H. E. Green. Mrs. M. Bancroft spoke on "The Beginnings of the American Baptist Work Among the Telegu People of India." A missionary budget was adopted.

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Dear Miss Dix—I am a girl of 22, secretly engaged to a man of 30. My family oppose the match very much because we are aristocratic, while he belongs to very plain people. He is very handsome, dresses and talks well, has a high school education and good business ability, but I must admit that I wouldn't own his mother and father and brothers. I would be ashamed of them before my friends.

Also, this young man's manners are not just what I would like them to be. Do you think it wise to try to change a man's ways after you are married? I love my fiancée with all my heart and feel that we are meant for each other, but I do not know whether to marry him or not.

ANN S.

Answer—I should say not, if you are going to take such a snobbish attitude toward him and his family. Unless you can say to the man you marry: "Thy people shall be my people and thy God my God," you will find small happiness in being his wife.

No marriage is ever a successful marriage in which the wife feels herself superior to her husband. There is something in the feminine psychology that makes a woman want to look up to her husband, not down upon him, and certainly no man enjoys knowing that his wife considers herself better than he is, and that she regards him as a social inferior.

Nor are you playing the game if you marry a man whose family you are not willing to accept. Remember that after you marry him they will be your family, too. You will bear their name and dress in their style.

Furthermore, it seems to me that nothing could be crueler than for a girl to marry a man with the deliberate intention in her heart of separating him from his own people, of taking him away from the mother who bore him, the father who sacrificed to educate him, and the brothers and sisters who love him and with whom he has all memories in common.

What if these people have not had the social advantages that your parents have had and their manners are not as polished? what if they are not as well educated? Some of the truest and noblest hearts in the world beat under shabby clothes. Some of the finest ladies and gentlemen I have ever known lacked parlor tricks and wouldn't have known their way among the forks and spoons at a formal dinner. Some of the wisest men and women I have ever known expressed opinions, that would have done credit to Solomon, in shaky grammar. Most of the great men in this country have come from just plain people as these you despise.

And I certainly don't think it wise to try to change a man after you are married to him, for few men take kindly to correction. Marry a man you don't need to change, or accept the man you marry as he is.

Robert E. Trainor Dies

Robert E. Trainor, formerly of Victoria, died last week in San Francisco. He was a veteran of the 1914-18 war, going overseas with the 1st Canadian Division, 16th Highlanders of Nova Scotia, and was wounded and severely gassed in the Battle of Vimy.

Since 1921 he had made his home in San Francisco with his parents, both of whom died some years ago. He leaves his brother,

Co-Convener of Spinsters' Ball



Miss Claudia Jesse, who with Miss Gladwyn Beasley, is co-convener of the Spinsters' Ball to be held Friday in the Empress Hotel ballroom by the Junior W.A. to St. Joseph's Hospital. One event of the year when the girls buy their own corsage bouquets and pay for all expenses of the evening, many reservations have already been made for this popular dance. Dancing will be from 9 to 1, with Len Acres orchestra. Pupils of Wynne Shaw will present a floor show.

B.C. Foresters Hear Oregon Speaker

Walter McCulloch, assistant state forester for Oregon, spoke on Oregon's forest policy at a dinner-meeting of Victoria section of the Canadian Society of Forest Engineers. His address was illustrated with colored slides.

Mr. McCulloch emphasized the trend of forest policy in Oregon was towards timber cropping. It was hoped to bring all forest land under a common sustained production plan in due course.

Private ownership of forest land was favored where it was possible to log profitably on a sustained basis. On less profitable areas the speaker was of the opinion that the state should be responsible for the continuity of the forest crop.

The Oregon Forest Conservation Act now regulates the cutting of timber for commercial purposes. It provides for sufficient seed trees to be left by the logger to insure a future crop and on failure to comply the logger must either rehabilitate the forest or reimburse the state sufficiently to reforest the area.

The speaker said unparalleled success had been attained in extinguishing fires by means of a revolutionary fire-fighting water pump unit which sprays a dense fog over the fire instead of a stream of water.

F. E. Gregg introduced the speaker.

J. Hiberson and H. J. Hodgins were elected to the council for the ensuing year.

Harry, San Francisco; and three sisters, Mrs. F. B. Perry, Long Island, New York; Mrs. J. Willett, Los Angeles; and Mrs. G. E. Hartnell, Victoria, is a sister. The family came here many years ago from Prince Edward Island.

Allowance Granted To Veterans' Widows

Widows of Great War and Boer War veterans who saw active service and have since died are advised by the Victoria branch of the Canadian Pensioners' Association, 225 Pemberton Building, Fort Street, they may get information and assistance as to widows' allowances at the association's office.

They must be 55 years of age, and in need, to qualify for eligibility. Allowances range from \$240 per annum for a widow without children, to \$480 for one with children. In exceptional circumstances, the award may be increased to \$600 per annum. The amount of allowance is granted at the discretion of the board.

A recipient of the widow's allowance may not, at the same time, benefit from the allowance and the old-age pension.

Pensions go into effect from the date of application, if such application is approved.

Widows wishing to seek further information should contact R. C. Keane, honorary secretary of the Canadian Pensioners' Association.

Farmers' Institute Meets at Ganges

GANGES—E. Fowler, D. L. Goodman, C. Lee, R. Cornish and F. Minton were elected directors of the Gulf Islands Farmers' Institute at its annual general meeting. They will appoint a president and secretary. F. Stevens and W. Palmer were named auditors.

Sydney Pickles of Saanich spoke on co-operative dealing and the credit system and a discussion was held on weed control. E. White, provincial horticulturist, will visit Salt Spring Island Thursday and Friday to give a demonstration of pruning.

Music....

Pianoforte pupils of Miss Gwendoline Harper were presented in the Victoria Truth Centre before parents and friends, when the sum of \$19.10 was realized from a collection for the Red Cross Society.

At the conclusion of the program, Gertrude Huntly Green presented Marilyn Bacon and John Beckwith with prizes for excellence in pianoforte examination and Mary Hummel, now at McGill University, for theory examination.

Those presented with certificates included John Beckwith, Marilyn Bacon, Eric Gee, Ruth Gray, Helen Bell-Irving, Thurliey Duck, Janice Bacon, Jean Dobbie, Aubrey Bell, Sheila Beckwith, Marilyn Leigh, Shirley Paulina, Helen Gray, Doris Gray, Garth Jones, Tony Lowe, Russell Robertson, Eleanor Stiffe, Jennifer Lowe, Allan Brown, Dorothy Margison, Marian Chapman and Joyce Boulter.

Others taking part in the program besides those receiving certificates were Doreen Larsen, Deirdre Collar, Yvonne Rose, Veronica Stevens, Jack Robertson, Carol Richards, David Long, Ann Bartholomew, Ann Henderson, June O'Neill, Clare Greene, June Milburn, Nancy Gray, Sheila Bates, Shirley Cameron, Patricia Sparks, Shirley Anderson, Winnifred Applegate, Joyce Conder and Pamela Terry.

Hospital Insurance Explained to Gyros

Ainslie J. Helmecken, Victoria representative of the Blue Cross plan for hospital care, lauded the Associated Hospital Services of B.C., at the Gyro Club luncheon, Monday.

In the last half of January, 35 groups were enrolled under the plan here, he said. The plan, which had an estimated 4,500,000 members in Canada and the United States on Jan. 1, 1940, and rose to a membership of 14,000,000 by Jan. 1, 1944, offered every man the opportunity of hospital care which is his legal right, Helmecken declared.

In a question period at the end of the film, Mr. Helmecken explained that a man belonging to a Blue Cross group could, on leaving his present employment, either continue in his original group as an independent subscriber or he could transfer to a new employee group.

If a man was protected by the Workmen's Compensation Act or some other government agency, the Blue Cross would not cover him in the particular phase protected by that agency, but it would cover him for anything outside that phase.

Hospital benefits for an enrolled group will start from the 1st or 15th of the month after enrollment cards have been accepted, thus giving protection immediately, he said.

The plan pays the hospital bill only, members must pay their own doctor.

Mr. Helmecken was introduced by Capt. Louis Glazan and thanked by President Fred Hawes.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church choir officers have been elected as follows: President, Mrs. Marian Thornborough; vice-president, Mrs. H. Warren; secre-

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Police Park Patrol To Cut Delinquency Urged By Gadsden

Special police officers to patrol Victoria parks in an effort to curb juvenile delinquency were urged to the police commission by Ald. B. J. Gadsden, new member of the board which met for the first time this year Monday afternoon.

"We should take more interest in the parks," Ald. Gadsden said. "Beacon Hill Park is not as good as it should be. It is hardly a respectable place for a respectable pair to go at certain times."

He also said he had received several complaints about a park in James Bay. He said probably a lot of juvenile delinquency took place in Victoria parks.

The discussion followed the reading of a letter from the Henry George Club which asked checking of amusement centres and organized play for teen-age children.

Chief J. A. McLellan said it would take his entire staff to check every juvenile in all amusement centres, while Commissioner Mrs. M. D. Christie said school dances for juveniles had been very successful.

Chief McLellan said the parks should have their own patrolmen and have them sworn in as officers.

He said that in the summer a constable was on duty in Beacon Hill Park from 3 to 11 at night and the patrol car frequently drove through the park at other times, but during the long winter nights all the constables were needed to patrol the streets to keep down burglaries.

"If you chase petty parties out of the park, then they will only go on in the darker streets," he said.

He said there was no breach of discipline by a police officer in 1943, and harmony prevailed in the department. Through injuries 338 days were lost. Sickness kept officers away 635 days.

The commission tabled the letter.

STUDY SALARIES
Salary adjustments and increase of the cost-of-living bonus, both requested by the Victoria Police Mutual Benefit Association, were also tabled. Mayor Andrew McGavin said the council should take the lead on salary questions.

Commenting on a comparison of rates here and in other centres, the mayor said police work on Vancouver Island was less strenuous than at mainland centres and a comparison of rates in Victoria with those of Montreal was not valid.

The commission will prepare its own comparison of rates before dealing with the association's request. A blanket 20 per cent wage increase was asked.

Payment of a bonus to Victoria policemen on the basis of the Vancouver bonus would cost \$169 a month more than now, D. A. Macdonald, city comptroller-treasurer, announced, while payment of the same rate as B.C. policemen would cost the city \$237 more monthly.

Promotion of A. Collier to chief janitor and employment of an assistant was approved. The commission will buy for \$237 a new camera for taking prisoners' photographs.

Ald. Gadsden urged a regular date for commission meetings but failed to receive any support.

Liquor Stocks Good When Rationing Came

B.C. Liquor Control Board was not caught with short stocks when Ottawa ordered cuts in liquor more than a year ago, according to the annual report of the Liquor Control Board tabled in the Legislature today by Attorney-General R. L. Maitland.

Although the board was surprised with the Ottawa restrictions, its stocks on hand were the largest in history.

The report says: "During the past number of years the board has endeavored to build up the reserve of stock and by Sept. 30, 1942, just one month before the date selected by the Dominion government for the commencement of the federal ration plan, the largest supply of merchandise ever carried by this board had been accumulated."

"The goods bought and paid for, as shown by the balance sheet of Sept. 30, 1942 amounted to \$2,540,460, in addition to which consignment goods were carried to the value of \$269,196, making the total stock available \$2,809,657. However, the increase in business and the restrictions on purchase imposed, reduced the stock on hand at March 31, 1943, to \$865,610, only slightly more than the average stock carried for the five years previous to the war."

Langford

LANGFORD—The newly formed St. Matthew's men committee will meet at the home of D. B. Bullen, Marshwood, at 8, Wednesday.

An old-time dance in Colwood Hall, Friday, at 9, will aid the Women's Auxiliary to the Prince Edward Branch War Work.

1943 Report Shows More Serious Crime

Marked increases in serious crime and fatal accidents were noted Monday afternoon by J. A. McLellan, police chief, in his annual report of the activities of the Victoria department to the police commission.

Compared with 19 convictions in 1942, there were 29 in 1943 for breaking and entering, while stealing, taking automobiles without the owner's consent, intoxication and acts of indecency, all showed increases. Seven persons died in traffic crashes.

Chief McLellan said, however, "Throughout the year the crime situation has been kept well in hand."

While total number of cases handled in police court was down, there was an increase in trials on serious charges, and police court fines increased from \$21,888 to \$22,662. Cases prosecuted under war orders totaled 95.

Stolen property totaled \$17,038, of which \$6,756 was recovered, increased from \$11,511 and \$4,881, respectively since 1942. All of 253 automobiles reported stolen were recovered.

46 SERIOUSLY INJURED

Besides seven fatal accidents, 46 persons were seriously injured and 143 slightly injured in traffic accidents, while 77 motorists were convicted for dangerous driving and one was sentenced for manslaughter arising out of a traffic death.

Easing up on dimout orders had assisted with street patrolling, but blackout regulations still required unoccupied buildings to be unlighted, which increased the work of patrolmen, the chief said.

He recommended building a police garage as a postwar project, purchase of a car and a camera, and repairs to police buildings.

He said there was no breach of discipline by a police officer in 1943, and harmony prevailed in the department. Through injuries 338 days were lost. Sickness kept officers away 635 days.

Weilers Decline Jersey Honors

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Weiler, Sooke Jersey authorities whose Deertrail Standard Princess has established annual records for butterfat production, today declined honors bestowed on them by James Bremner, secretary of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club, who said in Toronto Monday.

"Hillside Marjorie was Canada's long distance champion producer on twice-daily milking," Hillside Marjorie belongs to some eastern farm. She was never on Vancouver Island," Mr. Weiler said.

The Weiler herd, nationally ranked in Jersey lists, has been broken up, the major milkers having been sold last year when a hay shortage created difficulties.

Deertrail Standard Princess is now owned by Jake Grauer of the Fraser Farm, Sea Island. While the Weilers believe the animal may equal or surpass the Canadian long distance record and may go on to win the American championship, titles credited to Hillside Marjorie by Mr. Bremner, they state she is yet too young to have gained that distinction.

Hillside Marjorie, according to Mr. Bremner, has produced a lifetime total of 133,655 pounds of milk and 7,188 pounds of butter.

Police Constables Get Certificates

Attorney-General R. L. Maitland presented certificates of efficiency to nine provincial police constables Monday afternoon at Douglas House, police training school on Burdett Avenue.

Mr. Maitland congratulated each constable, wished him well and advised them to always remember police work is an important function in public life.

Commissioner T. W. S. Parsons, Sub-Inspector Colin McKenzie, in charge of the training school, and Drill Constable Smith, were present.

The men who received certificates after three months training and who will shortly be posted to different parts of the province were: Constables H. D. Johnston, Victoria; J. J. Ehly, Vancouver; L. L. Campbell, Kamloops; N. D. Gibbon, New Westminster; T. R. Maxwell, Prince George; D. T. Douglas, Victoria; R. I. Stringer, Burnaby, and D. R. Hodgins, Victoria.

THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO

Feb. 1, 1940—President Kallio of Finland renewed an offer to conclude "honorable peace" as Russians started new drive against the Mannerheim Line.

Members of the Balkan Entente met to discuss "economic neutrality" as a means of avoiding war.

Bundles for Russia Left Here



Through these doors pass the warmest clothing Victorians can find—all gifts to their Russian allies. They are at Aid to Russia headquarters, 2002 Oak Bay Avenue, where volunteer workers sort, pack and crate overcoats, blankets, sweaters, suits, dresses, shoes—just a few of the articles destined for Soviet civilians. Contributions of clothing left at firehalls are brought by fire department officials to this headquarters.



Esquimalt Opposes New Labor Order

Esquimalt Municipal Council at a special meeting Monday night, went on record as opposed to the new Wartime Wage Control Order, after hearing representations from C. W. Marshall, president of the Vancouver Island District Labor Conference and Charles Chivers, president of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council.

Members agreed that R. W. Mayhew, M.P., should be notified of their action and that a wire should be sent to Prime Minister Mackenzie King. Reeve Alex Lockley asked that the council's resolution be worded in such a way that it would indicate action was taken on the matter after council had heard representatives from local labor organizations.

"There is no thought of a snap decision by council," the reeve said, speaking on the resolution which was moved by Councillor T. Hadfield and seconded by Councillor D. A. MacLeod. It passed unanimously.

Councillor Hadfield stated that two of the paramount objections were the lack of representation on the War Labor Board and rejection of the right of appeal from a board decision. Mr. Marshall told the meeting that the order had the power to nullify or change every existing collective bargaining agreement between employers and employees in Canada.

FILOFF OFF?—As Allied bombings of Sofia, among other factors, keep Bulgarian cabinet in state of continuous crisis, neutral reports say Premier Bogdan Filoff, left, above, may be forced out, to be succeeded by regime wholly in grip of Nazis. Filoff is pictured being greeted by Joachim von Ribbentrop.

Manufacturers' Life Has 295,454 Policies

In its 57th annual report the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co. reports 295,454 policies in force for a total of \$727,000,000, an average of \$2,462 per policy. Of this business approximately 44 per cent is in Canada and 56 per cent outside Canada.

New policies of life insurance issued during 1943 were 27,408 for an aggregate of \$82,750,000 and 301 new immediate annuity contracts for a premium consideration of \$2,900,000.

For the fulfillment of these contracts, the company has assets under administration now totaling over \$241,000,000.

During each working day the Manufacturers' Life disbursed \$43,787 in death claims, matured endowments, annuity payments and other policy benefits, for a total for the year of \$13,400,000.

Poland's Government-in-Exile Talks Boundaries—At a London emergency meeting of his "cabinet in exile," Polish Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk (background) leads the discussion of the Russian-Polish boundary question. Cabinet members are, left to right: Gen. Marian Kukiel, Minister of Defence; Tadeusz Romer, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Dr. Ludwik Grosfeld, Minister of Finance; Jan Stanczyk, Minister of Labor; (Premier Mikolajczyk); A. Romer, Secretary to the Cabinet; Marian Seyda, Minister of State; Prof. Wacław Komarnicki, Minister of Justice; Karol Popiel, co-Minister of State; Father Zygmunt Kaczynski, Minister of Education; Prof. Stanislaw Kot, Minister of Information, and Wladyslaw Banacyk, Minister of Home Affairs.

New Highs Reached In Liquor Permits

Individual liquor permits reached an unprecedented high in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1943, and brought in more money than since the days when permits were \$2 each, according to the annual report of the Liquor Control Board, tabled in the Legislature today by Attorney-General Maitland.

In the year ending last March, 476,256 permits were issued, compared with 251,014 the year before and they brought in \$122,271, an increase of \$36,851 over the previous year. Permits are 25 cents each.

This amount goes to the Finance Department to be included in the province's general revenue.

Since last March liquor rationing has made the number of permits sold reach new highs and the revenue has shot up accordingly. At one time last year there were 600,000 permits in circulation. Recent water-tight system of coupons has brought this total down, however.

By the sale of liquor in B.C. in the last fiscal year, the Dominion government reaped \$4,265,986 in duty, excise and sales tax, compared with \$3,648,993 the year before.

In the year under review a liquor cargo worth \$25,941 went under water through enemy action, but insurance compensated the Liquor Board without loss.

Civil Defence

B. sector in No. 8 James Bay district will meet Thursday at 8 at the Red Cross Hall, 565 Michigan Street.

R. T. Moore will instruct in air raid work.



"ROAD TO DEATH"—This is the "Road to Death" on which thousands of Americans and Filipino soldiers were forced to walk by Japanese cruelty. Survivors who covered the route from Mariveles to San Fernando, said the walk was almost the equivalent to a death sentence. A report said some prisoners were taken in crowded railway cars from San Fernando to Tarlac, then marched to Camp O'Donnell.

Salvage Corps Needs Paper, Rags, Fats

Shifting needs for salvage are indicated as the Salvage Corps of B.C. announces need for rubber and steel is now a thing of the past, and launches the appeal for rags, paper and fat. Reading matter for the services is also urgently needed.

Most recent undertaking of the Salvage Corps is the compilation of a manual of information for the use of citizens, servicemen and returned men, which will serve as a guide to them as to where they may obtain services assistance, entertainment and recreation.

The booklet, which will be available in six weeks, is being issued with the approval and support of the Citizens' Rehabilitation Committee, the Citizens' War Services Committee, the Canadian Red Cross and a committee of the Rotary Club.

Officers elected were: Honorary president, Colin H. Rutherford; chairman, James Dickson; vice-chairmen, A. Lumley and W. Fulton; secretary-treasurer, Fred A. Jackson.

Committee: Mrs. E. L. Rogers, Miss W. M. Harrison, Lieut. P. Gleave, E. J. Harwood and A. M. Jarvie.

The BAY'S HALF-DAY Clearances!

WEDNESDAY OPEN 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON

Clearance of Women's Dressy SHOES

180 Pairs to Clear Per Pair..... **2⁹⁵**

Janet Lees and Lady Hudson's, known for their comfortable fittings and long-wearing qualities. Smartly styled in kidskin and suede. Broken sizes, colors and styles. Be early for your choice for this is a very special value.

Personal Shopping Only and No Exchanges, Please

Clearance Women's HEEL HUGGERS

50 pairs only of these regular 9.85 Shoes! Suedes and kidskins in dressy pump and tie for this exceptionally low price. Broken range of sizes but an excellent selection collectively..... **5⁸⁵**

—Women's Shoes, Fashion Floor at THE BAY

Men's and Boys' SKUFFER OXFORDS

Sizes 11 to 13½..... **1⁸⁹** Sizes 11 to 5½..... **2²⁹** Sizes 6 to 11..... **2⁷⁹**

Comfortable Oxfords that give plenty of wear. Brown Ekko uppers, sturdy Panco soles and heels. A popular shoe at a low price.

—Men's Shoes, Street Floor at THE BAY

Women's Fabric Gloves

49^c Pair

Popular slip-ons in rayon and cotton fabrics. Broken assortment of colors, sizes and styles that regularly sell for 75c. Reduced to clear at this low price.

—Women's Gloves, Street Floor at THE BAY

Costume Jewelry

19^c

Pretty Pins, Neckties, Bracelets and Earrings in attractive colors, sizes and designs. You'll want more than one piece of this popular plastic and metal jewelry.

No Phone Orders, C.O.D.'s or Exchanges, Please

—Jewelry, Street Floor at THE BAY

Writing Pads

Regular 9c..... **4 for 25^c**

Special..... **4 for 25^c**

Vellum and linen-finished Writing Pads in note, empress and letter size.

—Stationery, Street Floor at THE BAY

Envelopes

Blue-lined and white wove Envelopes, Regular 5c..... **6 for 25^c**

Special..... **6 for 25^c**

—Stationery, Street Floor at THE BAY

Boys' Windbreakers

18 only of these firmly-woven cotton gabardine Windbreakers—Nicely styled and finished with 2 pockets, buckle waist and full-length zipper. Blue and air force blue. Size 24, 26 to 34. Regular 2.95..... **1⁰⁰**

—Boys' Furnishings, Street Floor at THE BAY

Men's Coveralls

Heavy covert cloth, fully cut for extra comfort. Buttoned-front style in dark grey only. Regular 3.50. 20 only..... **1⁹⁵**

—Men's Clothing, Street Floor at THE BAY

Men's Work Shirts

Medium-weight cottons in collar-attached style. Red and green checked patterns in sizes 14½ to 17. Regular 1.50..... **1⁰⁰**

—Men's Clothing, Street Floor at THE BAY

Money Belts

Buckle and strap styles, finished with two zipper pockets. Tan or blue leather in sizes 30 to 40..... **35^c**

—Men's Furnishings, Street Floor at THE BAY

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

DESPITE a declaration at special meeting in Vancouver less than a month ago that they would play out their schedule to the finish, Navy have withdrawn their club from the Coast Hockey League. The bluejackets buttoned up their hockey playing at New Westminster Saturday night sounding the death knell for hockey in this city for the current season. Thus ends what has proven a turbulent season for coast hockey.

Last fall the coast circuit swung into action with the sweetest assortment of teams and material in its history. Everything gave promise to a banner season both from the standpoint of attendance and calibre of play. The league composed three clubs from the services and a like number of civilian entries. At the start it looked like the service clubs would carry too much punch but officials held to the opinion the league would still provide its followers with the finest hockey available anywhere in Canada. Then came the Ottawa bombshell that blew the Army and R.C.A.F. clubs right out of the league. They were followed to the sidelines by the V.M.D. and the Navy took the same step just a week later.

Withdrawal of the Navy club took place under strange circumstances and was veiled with a certain amount of secrecy. No official announcement was forthcoming from naval headquarters at Vancouver and up until now Monday, Jack Ryan, Nanaimo, president of the league, had received no official word of the navy's dropping from the circuit. As late as Friday night we approached officials of the Navy club, including Sub-Lieut. Andy Anton, team manager, and they denied any knowledge of the club's withdrawal. It was not until we had heard of rumors of the departure of certain players. We queried Anton regarding the possible loss of goalie

Chuck Rayner and his reply was: "Rayner is not leaving unless they are putting something over on me."

Possibly Anton was not familiar with the plans for the team, at that time, but it seems strange that the decision to withdraw the Navy entry could be made so quickly. Monday morning local naval authorities were still in the dark regarding the future of the club while the players themselves were completely at sea as they were on hand at the arena for their daily morning workout.

Withdrawal of the Navy club while it was on the road has drawn a lot of criticism from Victoria fans. Doug Fletcher, local representative of the Coast League, held to the opinion the club might at least have played its final game on Victoria ice. "I think the Navy might have gone through with next Friday's scheduled game against New Westminster here and then folded up," he said. It would have left the fans with a much better feeling towards the team and I feel certain the sailors would still have had sufficient players to go on the ice Friday night.

Although the Navy's withdrawal means the end of senior hockey at his arena this season owner Barney Olson took a philosophical view of the situation. "At least we know where we stand and it means the finish of all recent headaches in connection with hockey," he said. "I think it was inconsiderate of the Navy not to inform us of their plans to quit and enable the arena to make the necessary arrangements. After all we have well over 200 season ticket holders, many of whom have paid for their tickets for the entire season and they should deserve some consideration." He said they looked on as their home team. You can tell the fans from me their refunds will be ready within a few days.

Former Dishwasher Racing Czar

Helis After Derby Win

NEW YORK (AP)—This is a story about a Greek who started out in a restaurant.

In 1904 William George Helis, the big noise in racing right now, came to the United States and got a job washing dishes in a New York eatery. But he learned fast that there was a lot more money in digging out oil of the ground than in the restaurant business.

So he headed for the Oklahoma oil fields, then to California and finally hit the jackpot in Louisiana. Now, he's probably the richest oil man in Louisiana, with a fortune estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

A year ago the turf "bug" bit

him and he has put \$500,000 or so into developing a stable that figures to be the hottest thing around in the next few years. Last year alone he bought up 49 yearlings, one for \$66,000.

\$60,000 DEAL

Last Saturday he bought Rounders, Valinda Albert and Valinda Zenith in what is figured to be a \$60,000 deal with Henry Knight, the blue grass breeding veteran. This trio was among the 149 horses Knight bought in taking over the entire Valinda Farm racing outfit for an estimated \$500,000, the biggest single transaction in United States turf history.

Helis' big racing dream is to own a Kentucky Derby winner. His latest buy could possibly turn out to be just that. For Frank Podesta who managed the vast Valinda Farm and arranged the deal with Knight said last fall that the British-bred Valinda Zenith is the best-looking three-year-old prospect he's seen in a decade.

Suggests Baseball Owners Enter Football

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A suggestion that holders of major league baseball franchises either acquire franchises in the National Football League or start another "major" professional football circuit was advanced Monday by Bob Carpenter, youthful new president of the Philadelphia Phillies.

"I do not want to antagonize pro football, or to start a war," Carpenter said in an interview, "but I believe the magnates (baseball) should attempt to buy the National Football League franchises in their respective cities if they are for sale."

"The National Football League apparently wants a rival circuit, and if the franchises cannot be obtained in the older league maybe we can help them by starting another major football league."



MR. W. G. MILLER says every man should keep his liver active. He was tired, listless, nervous, and no ambition to work or play. "Fruit-a-tives" liver tablets made him feel like a new person. Perhaps you're the same. Try "Fruit-a-tives."

Roger Wickson New Canadian Junior Skating Champion

OTTAWA (CP)—Barbara Ann Scott and Suzanne Thoun, of the Minto Skating Club, took the senior and junior ladies' titles, respectively, at the Canadian figure-skating championships which concluded here Saturday.

The junior men's crown went to Roger Wickson, representing the Connaught Club of Vancouver.

Miss Scott was placed first by all five judges, while Miss Thoun managed to win by a narrow margin from Doreen Dutton of Glenora Skating Club, Calgary.

The junior pairs championship went to Sheila and Ross Smith of the Winnipeg Winter Club. In the junior ladies' championship, Miss Thoun had a lead of only 13 points in the school figures over Doreen Dutton, and managed to hold her place when marks for free skating were added.

In the junior men's competition, Roger Wickson had four firsts and one second. The only other competitor was Norris Bowden of Toronto.

In the junior pairs, Sheila and Ross Smith of Winnipeg made four firsts.

Wagner Again Signs To Coach Pirates

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Squat, bandy-legged, Honus Wagner, terror on the base paths and a scourge to pitchers during his 21 years at shortstop in the National League, returned his signed contract to the Pittsburgh Pirates Saturday, almost on the eve of his 70th birthday.

Wagner, who had been battling crowns and stole 720 bases during his career, the contract was his 33rd in the "big time," his 12th as coach for the Pirates, for whom he played from 1900 to 1917.

Wagner, one of the first of baseball's greats to be voted into baseball's hall of fame, and whose diamond feats still decorate the record books of the National League, came out of retirement in 1933 to become a coach for the Pirates.

Games Announced For Minor Hockey

Schedule for the week and team standings in the Victoria Minor Hockey Association were announced today by Doug Fletcher as follows:

JUNIORS				
Team	P	W	L	T
Royals	4	1	3	0
Capitals	4	1	3	0
Senators	4	1	3	0

MIDGETS				
Team	P	W	L	T
Royals	3	2	1	0
Capitals	3	2	1	0
Senators	3	2	1	0

BANTAMS				
Team	P	W	L	T
Royals	3	2	1	0
Capitals	3	2	1	0
Senators	3	2	1	0

WEEKLY SCHEDULE				
Tonight—Royals vs. Senators, Juvenile, 7:30 p.m.				
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.—Capitals vs. Senators, Midgets				
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.—Capitals vs. Senators, Bantams				
Sunday, 6 p.m.—Royals vs. Senators, Midgets				
Sunday, 6:45 p.m.—Royals vs. Senators, Bantams				

Members of the Royals and Maroons bantam teams are asked to attend a hockey lecture tomorrow night at 7:30 at Gibson's Bowldrome, Yates St.

NAVY GETS DESAUTELS

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP)—Gene Desautels, Cleveland Indians' catcher, passed his pre-induction physical examination here Monday and was classified for service in the navy. He will be subject to call.

Racing Results

MALDEN PARK—Horse racing results here Monday follow:
First race—One-half furlongs: Lady Bonwell (Skoronsky) \$20.30 \$9.50 \$6.50
Bridle (Robert) 7.00 5.00 4.00
Time, 1:21 2-3. Also ran: Dick Richards, Summerville, Good Hope, Payable, Clanscott, Close Up, Navy Bomber, Porsendera, Roy Conquest.
Second race—Seven furlongs: Golden Message (Atkinson) \$19.30 \$7.50 \$4.80
Ancillary (Brooks) 6.00 3.50 2.50
Dipi (Adams) 3.50 2.50 2.00
Time, 1:27 2-3. Also ran: Defence Stamp, Vinal Haven, Ath. Prince Eugene, Phaedra, Robert F. Red, Oakford, Blue Water.
Third race—Five and three-eighths: Lady Orchid (Pratt) \$17.80 \$5.60 \$2.80
Pamphlet (Gowthorn) 3.50 2.50 2.00
Mopcap (Permaline) 2.00 1.50 1.00
Time, 1:22 2-3. Also ran: Miss Discovery, Red Rocket, Picture Flax.
Fourth race—Six and one-half furlongs: Valinda Punch (Pratt) \$41.50 \$17.10 \$8.50
Bridle (Claggett) 8.50 5.50 4.50
Time, 1:18 1-3. Also ran: Noonday Sun, Sir War, Mighty Master, Erick Knight, Last Rumble, Rurles, Theorem, Seasmoke.
Fifth race—Seven furlongs: Spook Ship (Lindberg) \$4.40 \$2.30 \$2.50
Valinda Maiden (Roberts) 7.00 3.80 3.00
Bid Grey (Atkinson) 2.00 1.50 1.00
Time, 1:26 1-3. Also ran: Aloray, F. B. Eye, Don Miller, My All, Spangled Game, Nursery Tale.
Sixth race—Five and one-eighth: Alcoric (Pratt) \$4.50 \$2.10 \$2.50
Riding Light (Seaworth) 3.50 2.50 2.00
Speedway (Arcaro) 2.00 1.50 1.00
Time, 1:27 1-3. Also ran: Querron, Panbroom, Clocklike, Toy Quays, Sun Gino.
Seventh race—Five and one-eighth: Desale (Arcaro) \$11.30 \$6.50 \$2.80
Mistake (McCreary) 6.50 3.50 2.50
U.S. Salute (Atkinson) 2.50 2.00 1.50
Time, 1:24. Also ran: Cee Rat, Howard Lee, Fairy K., Night-Number.
Eighth race—Five and one-eighth: Soudron (Pratt) \$5.50 \$2.50 \$2.50
Soudron (Pratt) 11.00 6.50 3.50
Time, 1:23 2-3. Also ran: Singing Heels, New James, Sweeping Dream, Reimbo, Mucky, in the Night.

Off On Right Foot



Pete Miller gets little Joan Sazenby off on right foot. More than 600 youngsters turn out nightly at speed and figure skating schools sponsored by Chicago and Illinois Athletic Associations at lake front parks.

Ring Story With Bright Ending

Petrolle Business Success

DULUTH, Minn. (AP)—The little man in the Indian blanket is now Mr. William Petrolle.

At 39, the "Fargo Express," terror of the lightweight and welterweight divisions before his retirement a decade ago, now is a Duluth businessman.

The Billy Petrolle who owned the best left hook of his fistful of days is chairman of the board of directors of the Duluth Cement and Iron and Steel Company, and was recently elected to a similar post by the Pioneer National Bank of West Duluth.

Petrolle, who started his listric career in Fargo, N.D., under the guidance of Jack Hurley, moved here after he was well up among the elite of his profession.

Today Petrolle is the father of two daughters, Kathleen Annette, 16, and Joann, nine. He married Antoinette Rich, a Duluth girl, in 1926.

The modest Petrolle thinks his own ability and his adherence to training rules was responsible for only 10 per cent of his success. The other 90 belongs to Hurley.

In 1926, Eddie (Kid) Wagner of Philadelphia, the No. 1 lightweight challenger, agreed to fight the then-unknown Petrolle. Wagner outglopped Petrolle most of the way, but the Fargoan caught up in the final minute of the 10th round and flattened the Philadelphia. Petrolle was on the way.

GREAT COMEBACK

He retired in 1929, but after a long rest he started a comeback and the real Petrolle blossomed out.

Tony Canzoneri was the first big-name fighter listed on the Petrolle comeback tour. Petrolle beat Canzoneri in a 10-round, but later Canzoneri got revenge.

Then followed a loss to Jack (Kid) Berg, the British-belter, and a victory over Jimmy McLarnin from Vancouver, B.C. From there Petrolle went on to knock out Billy Townsend, Eddie King, Justo Suarez, Bat Battalino, King Tut, Bep van Kleeveren and Stanislaus Loayza.

A clipped bone forced Petrolle to undergo an operation on his left elbow. The famous left hook lost its wallop, and he was beaten by McLarnin, Canzoneri and Barney Ross.

LARKIN VS. COSTANTINO

NEW YORK (AP)—Tippy Larkin, Garfield (N.J.) battler of the lightweight class, will engage Lulu Costantino for a 10-round bout in Madison Square Garden last Friday.

Hockey Refunds

H. B. Olsen, president of the arena, announced today that holders of season tickets and season contracts for the 1943-44 Coast Hockey League season, can now obtain their refunds at Hocking and Forbes, 1006 Douglas Street.

Refunds were made necessary by the dropping of the Navy team from the league, leaving this city without an entry in the circuit. Fans are asked to pick up their refunds not later than Saturday.

Island Basketball Draw Announced

Draw for the island basketball playoffs in all divisions was announced today as follows:

Senior "A" men: Victoria only entry.

Senior "B" men: (South) Victoria vs. Saanich. Winners of above vs. Shawigan. (North), Nanaimo vs. Alberni; Courtenay, by. Final in North.

Int. "A" boys: (North), Courtenay vs. Nanaimo; (South), Victoria vs. Duncan; Chemainus, by; (North), Courtenay vs. Alberni; Nanaimo, by. Finals in North.

Junior boys: (South), Victoria vs. Duncan; Ladysmith, by; (North), Nanaimo vs. Alberni. Final in South.

Midget boys: (South), Victoria vs. Duncan; (North) Alberni, by. Final in South.

Senior "A" women: No entries.

Senior "B" women: Victoria only entry.

Int. "A" girls: Victoria only entry.

Int. "B" girls: (South), Ladysmith vs. Victoria; Nanaimo vs. Alberni. Final in North.

Junior girls: (South), Duncan vs. Victoria; (North), Nanaimo, by. Final in South.

Midget girls: (South), Duncan vs. Victoria; (North), Alberni vs. Nanaimo. Final in North.

First mentioned are home teams and winners of first rounds are at home in the second round.

Feb. 5, taking the place of Sammy Angott, it was announced Saturday, Angott, who was scheduled for the fight, is suffering from a leg injury made worse by his fight with Beau Jack at the Garden last Friday.

New Westminster Beats St. Regis By Two-Goal Edge

VANCOUVER (CP)—Before a slim crowd of 1,100 puck fans, New Westminster Lodestars defeated Vancouver St. Regis here last night in a Pacific Coast Senior Hockey League game.

The hotelmen played their best game of the season. St. Regis, abandoning their individual play of previous games showed a lot of teamwork in last night's battle, and made them a much harder nut for the Lodestars to crack.

St. Regis and New Westminster are the only teams left in the Coast League Victoria Navy pulled out after the game in New Westminster Saturday.

The first period was dull without either team having many scoring opportunities.

The second period provided more action. Jimmy Wilson of the Lodestars pushed the first goal past Percy Jackson at 5:19, then Romeo Martel on a pass from Connie King plunged the first St. Regis goal into the Lodestar net at 13:13, tying the score.

Then Bus Brayshaw on a passing play with his two star colleagues, Pete Leswick and Frank Dotten, broke the tie at 15:59 giving the Lodestars a 2 to 1 lead.

EVERY TIES SCORE

In the final stanza in which some of the fastest hockey of the game was played Dutch Evers of St. Regis on a pass from Bert Yesowick tied the score again when they sent the puck flying past Andy Young at eight minutes.

For the next seven minutes of the period, Vancouverites thought that St. Regis at last were about to win a game in their home town, for the hotelmen were keeping the Lodestars hopping around their goal.

But at 23:13, a pass from an assist from Maurice Duffy, former V.M.D. forward, darkened the crowds hopes by sending a goal into the St. Regis net to give Lodestars a 3 to 2 margin.

Frank Dotten, New Westminster playing coach, increased the scoring for the game when he tallied at 18:17, leaving Lodestars with a 4 to 2 lead.

St. Regis will meet the Lodestars next Saturday at New Westminster.

SUMMARY

First period—No score.

Second period—1, New Westminster, Wilson (Duffy, Fraser), 5:19; 2, Vancouver, Martell (King), 13:13; 4, New Westminster, Brayshaw (Leswick, Dotten), 15:59. Penalties: Warshawski, Fraser.

Third period—4, Vancouver, Evers (Yesowick), 8:00; 5, New Westminster, Fraser (Duffy), 15:26; 6, New Westminster, Dotten (Leswick), 18:17. Penalties: Martell, Blythe, Warshawski.

Carpet Bowling

Results of matches in the Victoria Carpet Bowling League follow:

S.O.E. Repulse 21, St. Alban's Rangers 10; St. Alban's Rangers 18, St. Alban's Rovers 12; S.O.E. Repulse 18, S.O.E. Lions 18; St. Alban's Rangers 29, S.O.E. Lions 18; St. Alban's Rangers 14, St. Alban's Rovers 13.

Eagles 19, S.O.E. Repulse 11; St. Alban's Rangers 22, S.O.E. Lions 14; St. Alban's Rangers 20, St. Alban's Rovers 17.

WINNIEPEG HOCKEY

WINNIEPEG (CP)—Winnipeg Monarchs, with their eighth straight win, strengthened their lead in the Manitoba South Division Junior Hockey League here Monday night by defeating St. James Canadians, 2 to 1.

Johnny Farghar scored both Monarch goals, while Harry Nixon netted the Canadian goal.

By Jimmy Hatlo

Cain, Carr Share Ice Scoring Leadership

Four Points Up On Idle Bill Cowley

MONTREAL (CP)—Boston's Herbie Cain pulled into a first place tie with Lorne Carr of Toronto during the last week of National Hockey League play, picking up three points to raise his total to 56.

Carr, who led the point-getting parade alone a week ago, added two points since the previous weekly official compilation, while the injured Bill Cowley of Boston retained third spot, four points behind the leaders, despite another week of idleness.

In fourth spot with an even 50 points is Doug Bentley of Chicago, a point ahead of teammate Bill Mosienko. A year ago today Cowley was leading the field with 51 points, and Carr was second with 49.

Cain's 29 goals puts him in the lead in that department, three on Carr and four on Mud Bruneteau of Detroit. Cowley and Buddy O'Connor are tied for assist honors with 33 each, while Elmer Lach of Canadiens and Clint Smith of the Hawks have 32 each.

Mike McMahon of Canadiens continues atop the penalty department, with one hour and one minute served in majors and minors so far.

The Leaders Follow:

Team	G	A	Pts	Pen
Cain, Boston	29	27	56	4
L. Carr, Toronto	26	30	56	2
Cowley, Boston	18	33	50	20
Bentley, Chicago	22	28	50	16
Bruneteau, Detroit	23	27	49	12
Lach, Canadiens	14	22	46	12
Reider, Toronto	15	23	45	8
Carson, Detroit	16	23	45	8
A. Laidlaw, Canadiens	17	26	43	4
O'Connor, Canadiens	23	22	42	6
Liscombe, Detroit	20	21	41	11
Fraser, Vancouver	15	23	38	12
Hefferman, Canadiens	21	16	37	16
Bruneteau, Toronto	13	23	36	10
Connedy, Toronto	18	18	35	10
Geddie, Canadiens	17	18	35	10
Hestall, Rangers	17	18	35	10
Hove, Detroit	17	18	35	10
J. Hamilton, Toronto	16	19	34	4
Miller, Rangers	17	17	34	4
Watson, Canadiens	11	23	29	41
Blake, Canadiens	11	19	28	11
McNamee, Canadiens	13	15	28	20
Dahlstrom, Chicago	14	14	28	10
Shanahan, Canadiens	13	15	27	16
Callahan, Boston	9	18	27	8
Reider, Boston	22	17	27	10
Clayton, Detroit	15	11	26	12
March, Chicago	9	18	26	10
Miller, Rangers	12	14	26	4
Allen, Chicago	11	13	24	36
Reider, Toronto	12	12	24	20
Morris, Toronto	9	15	24	18
Goulding, Boston	10	14	24	10
Reider, Boston-Detroit	17	13	23	10
Seibert, Chicago	6	17	23	32
Reider, Rangers	18	22	22	18

Travis' Free Shot Wins Basketball

Joe Travis' free throw gave Alcos a thrilling 31 to 30 victory over West Road in last night's senior B men's basketball clash.

Before the deciding shot was taken there was considerable discussion as to whether or not it should be awarded. The argument was the result of deciding whether or not the foul had been committed after the timer's whistle had ended play.

At the end of the first quarter Alcos were on top 10 to 7, with West Road enjoying a 21 to 13 margin at the half. At three-quarter time it was 25 to 23 for Alcos, with the teams staging a nip and tuck scrap through the final period.

In the women's game Unities defeated Eagles 52 to 13. K.V.'s B defeated the A squad 24 to 14 in an exhibition tilt.

Teams and scores follow:
West Road—Butler 2, R. Mitchell 8, B. Mitchell 4, Cunningham, Handy 13, Ben 3.

Alcos—Travis 6, Garnet 2, Creed 11, Jarvis 4, Taylor 8, French, Couch, Harknett.

Unities—V. Bourke 22, F. Crosson 10, B. Longstaff 4, M. Loudoun 6, E. Day 10.

Eagles—E. Barry 2, N. Burnett, P. Yeamans 2, R. Kaitenbach 5, S. Essler 2, J. Vallance, I. Simpson 2.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

(At High School)
7:00—R.C.A.F. vs. Rookies.
8:00—K.V.'s vs. Oak Bay.
9:00—Red Hots vs. Army.

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Hockey Standings

N.H.L.						
	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Goals
Canadiens	23	3	6	145	70	5
Toronto	16	16	3	152	132	3
Detroit	15	12	5	130	114	3
Chicago	15	13	1	121	131	3
Boston	13	16	4	150	169	3

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Art....

By IRIS SMALLWOOD

EX-VICTORIAN DEPICTS CITY LIFE IN MURALS

Adventure lurks in the shape of a lamp-post, in the glow of an electric sign, and to Jack Shadbolt, soldier-artist, the passing parade on a city street has a story to tell.

High on a ladder in one corner of the mural ballroom in Vancouver's United Services Centre, Pte. Shadbolt puts the finishing touches on his mass paintings. Early in August he began this work which has kept him busy, day in and day out.

Sitting on street corners in all weathers he sketched the oncoming traffic. The buildings, people, and crowded streets.

Navy, army, air force, merchant sailors—men and women from the four corners of the earth, spend at least one of their leaves in the Vancouver Services Centre. They watch Pte. Shadbolt at work and hound him with questions. They marvel at the warm, vivid life of the colors he uses, and the human touch he gives every face.

ALLIED SERVICES REPRESENTED

"Bejingo, he has put in an Australian airman," exclaims one lonely L.A.C. in the R.A.A.F. uniform, as he points out the Australian and his girl friend examining diamonds in a jeweler's window.

"Yes, I think nearly all the services from most of the Allied countries are represented," the artist said. "Every night servicemen come here from all the world. Makes them feel more at home if they recognize their own uniforms. Also junior hostesses have no trouble spotting familiar buildings, and can immediately launch into a little travelogue of the city—helps conversation along."

IN EVERY MOOD

Such is the depth of the 10 murals lining the walls that the observer feels he himself is a

part of the picture. The theme is this west coast Canadian port from dawn till dusk, in rain and shine, hurrying to work, to a show, or just window-shopping. Jack Shadbolt has caught the mood of every individual. There are faces gay as a theatre canopy, or solemn in thought. And there's humor so subtly placed you have to seek it out.

A Cwac, flattening her nose against the window of a hat shop, stares hungrily at the styles within. A blind man taps his white cane. Two military police pick up a drunken soldier.

ARTIST WELL KNOWN HERE

Formerly a resident of Victoria, before he accepted a position instructing at Vancouver School of Art, Pte. Shadbolt has been in the camouflage division of the Canadian Army for more than two years. "I've always wanted to do something like this," he said, "and when the new service centre was planned last summer, I knew these murals were the answer."

The job is nearly finished now, and Pte. Shadbolt is hoping the army will give him permission to record for the coming world of peace the shipbuilding and aircraft industries of a world at war.

Wrens Want Cooks

Wrens are calling for cooks and stewards between 18 and 45 to take over shore-side galleys. Little experience beyond an interest in the profession is required for those between 18 and 35 as all will be trained in the art. Applicants over 35 years of age must have experience.

Stewards are being recruited from women between the age limits of 18 and 45. No previous experience is necessary. At Wren recruiting office, H.M.C.S. Malahat, 1238 Government Street, on Monday and Tuesday, Lieut. Agnes Smith, W.R.C.N.S., will be on hand to interview applicants.

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SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Figuring what he cost in doctor, hospital and milk bills, we won't make any money on the baby in income taxes, but of course he's certainly worth it!"

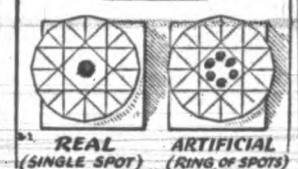
Uncle Ray

Negro Woman Found Diamond Which Sold For \$388,000

Men were washing river gravel in Brazil for gold in the year 1777. Bits of the metal were found in the gravel and several rough crystals. The workmen supposed that the crystals had no special value, but a diamond expert looked at them and said "They are diamonds!"

The expert was right. Brazil was the home of diamonds. More and more of the precious stones were brought forth from the beds of several rivers.

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A negro woman had the good fortune to pick up the most valuable diamond ever found in Brazil. In 1853 she discovered it in the Bogavem River. The rough stone had a weight of 254 carats, and from it was cut a brilliant gem known as "the Star of the South." This gem was sold to a prince in India for \$388,000.

Small diamonds were picked up in South Africa 200 years ago, but no one grew excited about African diamonds until large ones were found in the 19th century. One of these, the "Stewart," had a weight of 288 carats and was discovered in 1872. It was cut into a fine gem with a pale yellow color.

For a long time, all South African diamonds were taken from river beds, but mines with "dry diggings" were opened

about 70 years ago. These mines were in places where volcanoes had been in action long before.

Cutting through "yellow earth," the workers made pits which reached down into "blue ground." When the soil was raised, spread out and washed, it yielded valuable diamonds.

Since 1889 the most important South African diamond mines have had deep shafts and tunnels. The greatest stone ever found there—or anywhere else—is the Cullinan diamond. Before being cut, it weighed 3,106 carats and small gems, it had a weight of 3,025 carats, or one and one-third pounds!

Millions of "glass diamonds" have been sold, many of them at a price of only 17 cents apiece. Cut from glass, these little objects have been used in rings worn by children, sometimes by adults. Experts have little trouble in telling a true diamond from a glass imitation.

(For general interest section of your scrapbook.)

Monarch Life Co. Increases Its Assets

Annual meeting of the Monarch Life Assurance Co. was held in Winnipeg Jan. 25, with the president, E. J. Tarr, presiding. Attention was drawn particularly to the establishment of the staff pension and insurance fund, which is now on a contributory basis, but in order that it might be established with due recognition being given to past service of full-time salaried employees, a company grant of \$200,000 was made and appears in the statement as a liability.

The increase in assets during the year was in excess of \$1,500,000, and the increase of business in force exceeded \$6,000,000. Now totals \$79,732,618. Holdings of Dominion government bonds increased substantially more than did total assets.

After making full provision for all accrued profits to policyholders and maintaining a reserve for unreported policy claims and unallocated investment reserve, the contingency reserve was increased from \$400,000 to \$500,000. The then remaining free surplus amounted to \$745,000.

G. D. Tyson, manager of the company's Vancouver Island branch, reports sound progress for his division in 1943.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pictured glories of Florence
- 8 Lattice-work structure
- 10 Exit
- 12 River barrier
- 13 French article
- 14 Soap sump
- 16 Of the thing
- 17 Constellation
- 19 Arabian
- 21 Animal
- 23 Petrus
- 25 Mister (abbr.)
- 27 Catcher of
- 29 Make into law
- 31 Piece (abbr.)
- 33 Piece of
- 35 "Pillars" were world-renowned
- 38 Mends socks
- 40 Pertaining to an era
- 42 Children city
- 43 Royal Italian family name
- 44 Symbol for tellurium
- 46 Silk-worm
- 47 Castle ditch
- 49 Road lava
- 50 Entomology (abbr.)
- 52 Steamship (abbr.)
- 53 Unfasten
- 57 Observed
- 58 Regulation
- 60 VERTICAL
- 1 Striped animal
- 2 And (Latin)
- 3 Grand Duke (abbr.)
- 4 Dried
- 5 Man's name
- 6 Line (abbr.)
- 7 Suspend
- 8 Odor
- 11 Weir
- 15 Weight allowance
- 18 Solitary
- 20 Formal dance
- 23 Like
- 24 Measurements
- 25 Garden tool
- 26 Shells
- 28 Wrap in
- 30 Cane
- 31 Cane
- 32 Plays the part of host
- 34 Symbol for tin
- 35 Organic portion of soil
- 37 Kerosene
- 38 Kind of lace
- 39 Shells
- 40 Grafted (abbr.)
- 42 American humorist
- 43 Threefold (comb. form)
- 45 Near
- 46 Ambary

(Answer to previous puzzle)

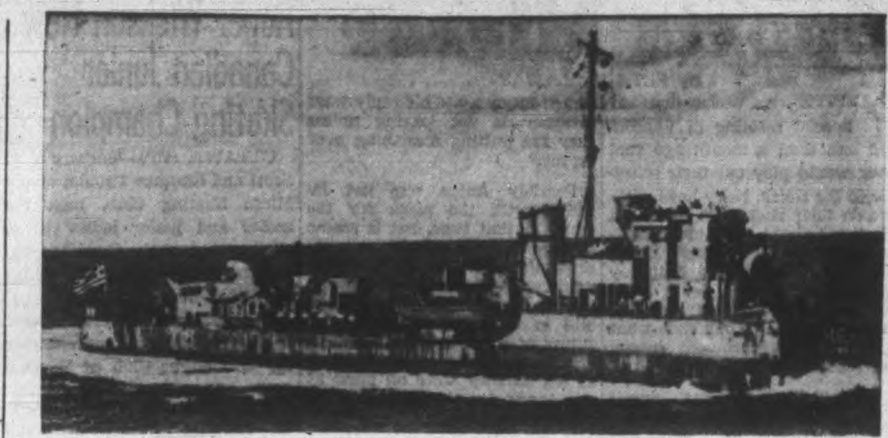
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Housing Shortage Acute in Victoria

Housing difficulties in Victoria still remains a difficult problem, according to the January report issued by Mrs. W. E. Rayfuse, manager National Housing Registry.

Figures on the accommodation and applications on hand at the end of the month show the main shortage to be with the family groups. There are on hand, 14 family dwelling units with 364 applications, 47 light housekeeping rooms with 438 applications, 139 rooms with 21 applications, 106 rooms and board with 14 applications.

In many cases, the rentals on the light housekeeping rooms are prohibitive except for those who have a fairly large income. Many families are in single rooms at present, being unable to afford the higher cost of a family dwelling unit or light housekeeping



LIMPED 500 MILES IN CRIPPLED CONDITION—Badly crippled by a mine that blew off her bow in the Aegean sea, this Greek "half" destroyer Adrias, formerly the Hunt class destroyer Border, limped back to a home port under her own steam. The ship traveled 500 miles through enemy-invested water in this condition.

rooms, and there is a possibility of an increase in applications due to existing circumstances. Reports on specific cases, showing insufficient living space and

in some cases, inadequate facilities, are on hand in the registry, but they are powerless to deal with the problem other than by offering what they have listed.



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Spain Rumored On Eve of Break With Axis Nations

Canadian Press
 A prediction by a South American diplomat that Spain would sever relations with the Axis this week in response to growing Allied pressure, focused attention sharply on Madrid today as reports from both Axis and neutral sources told of a flurry of diplomatic activity in the Spanish capital.

The German-controlled Rome radio said the Allies were threatening to cut off shipping of food supplies to Spain, and were confronting Gen. Franco with the issue of "submit or fight."

The identity of the South American diplomat who was quoted in an Associated Press dispatch from Buenos Aires as predicting Spain would break with the Axis was not disclosed. He was described as a prominent figure in Latin-American diplomatic circles.

This source said the attitude being taken by the United States and Britain has brought Franco face to face with a situation where he must declare himself for one side or the other. A break with the Allies is virtually out of the question, he said, because Spain desperately needs the oil and supplies which she has been well as other goods which pass through Allied-controlled waters.

The German radio said the oil embargo already has become so effective that Spain has had to suspend bus traffic from Madrid to Valladolid and Leon.

LONDON DOUBTFUL

LONDON (CP)—Both pro-Franco and anti-Franco elements among Spaniards here expressed doubt today that Gen. Franco would go to the extent of breaking off Spain's diplomatic relations with the Axis despite British-U.S. economic and diplomatic pressure.

It had been expected Foreign Secretary Eden would make a statement in the House of Commons today on Anglo-Spanish

relations but by mid-afternoon he had not appeared and it was unlikely he would today.

Franco's adherents, who profess neutrality, argued that the Germans across the border in France are a more serious immediate menace to Spain than are Britain and the United States at a distance, even with their power of blockading Spain from the sea.

Opponents to Franco added to this that he is ideologically pro-German and hopes for a German victory. They said a Spanish rupture with the Axis seemed probable only if Franco were forced out by a faction or coalition which was convinced the Allies will win the war.

QUOTE DEAD MAN

NEW YORK (AP)—The Tokyo radio said today that Hans von Moltke, "the German ambassador to Spain," had "assured Spanish Foreign Minister Count Jordana Jan. 29 that Germany is ready to supply the necessary materials to Spain in case the anti-Axis countries embargo those materials to Spain."

The U.S. Office of War Information recalled that von Moltke, appointed Nazi ambassador to Spain in January, 1943, died last March 22 following an appendectomy. U.S. government monitors said the announcer repeated "von Moltke" twice.

Boost Treatment Allowances For Ailing Veterans

OTTAWA (CP)—Increases in the treatment allowances paid to service personnel discharged from the armed forces for medical reasons and in allowances made under the War Veterans' Allowances Act were announced today by Pensions Minister Mackenzie at a press conference.

Mr. Mackenzie said that in future the treatment allowances will be equal to the regular pay or rank held, up to the rank of lieutenant, plus the regular scale of dependents' allowances for the armed forces.

In the past, discharged men were put on treatment allowances which amounted to much less than the pay and the dependents' allowance received while the man was in the forces. The allowances are paid from the time the man is discharged until his treatment period ends.

Increases have also been provided for those receiving allowances under the War Veterans' Allowances Act. Now, allowances up to \$365 per year may be paid to an unmarried veteran, or to the widow of a veteran with no dependent children, while \$730 may be paid to a married veteran, or to the widow of a veteran with dependent children. In addition, in all cases, they may have casual earnings up to \$125 annually and an additional unearned \$25 annually.

Formerly, allowances amounted to about \$300 for single veterans, or widows without dependents, less casual earnings and unearned income.

Mr. Mackenzie told the press conference, held in his office in the Parliament Buildings, that previously when a man was discharged for medical reasons he immediately went on treatment allowances which provided—no matter what his rank—\$44.20 monthly for himself, \$18.20 for his wife, \$20 monthly each for the first and second children, \$10 monthly for the third child and \$8 monthly for the fourth, fifth and sixth children.

Land Sales Gain Here in January

Sales of city-owned property during January were almost three times as high in value as they were in the corresponding month last year, figures announced by Ald. T. W. Hawkins, lands committee chairman, today disclosed.

Last month 17 properties sold for a total of \$3,855 against nine for \$1,360 in January of last year. Cash receipts lagged slightly behind those of January, 1943, the totals being \$7701 last month against \$8,823 last year.

The majority of parcels sold in January were small holdings suitable for home development.

NOT DEPORTED

Miss Betty Drewry has drawn the attention of the editor to a statement contained in a news story of her arrival at Sidney, B.C., reported in the Times on January 27. This report erroneously stated that the American authorities deported her from Alaska when it was found she did not have a passport. Miss Drewry states that she was not deported from Alaska. The Times is glad to make this correction, and regrets any embarrassment which she may have suffered as a result of the mistake.

City and Saanich Construction Up

Victoria and Saanich recorded substantial building gains during January, but totals in Oak Bay and Esquimalt reflected a continued slump in civilian construction, according to figures compiled today.

In the city 53 permits were issued for work of a total value of \$63,765. They included seven dwellings. During January last year 43 permits were granted for work worth \$32,757, including one dwelling.

Off to a better start than last year, Saanich building office issued 25 permits for \$21,955 last month compared with 11 permits for \$5,815 in January, 1943.

Last month's permits included four for new dwellings valued at \$18,350 against permits for two new houses valued at \$5,000 in the same month last year. Building in Oak Bay took a \$9,125 drop last month in comparison to January of 1943. Five permits for construction amounting to \$15,575 were issued this year with four permits for construction totaling \$10,700 issued in January of 1943. Permits issued this month were for two foundations to homes at a cost of \$500 each, a storage shed at \$125, greenhouse at \$150 and finishing of a room at \$300.

A small greenhouse, garage and workshop provided the construction work in Esquimalt for the month. Three permits were issued for the buildings, which cost \$50 each. In January, 1943, one permit was issued for construction of an addition to a house at a cost of \$100.

3 Pedestrians Hit

Condition of George W. Glasenbury, 522 Admirals Road, who apparently was struck down by a car on Esquimalt Road, was reported today by Royal Jubilee Hospital to be fairly satisfactory. The man was found unconscious outside the Half Way House by the naval shore patrol.

Struck by a passing car while preparing to board a streetcar at Government and Johnson, J. Gosnell, Antrim Road, a shipyard worker, was injured Monday.

R. Hagyard, 2126 Oregon, told police he was knocked down by a motorcyclist at Cormorant and Government.

A truck owned by Harkan Singh, 3380 Oak, and a No. 6 streetcar operated by W. Bayton, 1240 Craigflower, collided at Discovery and Douglas.

Theft of their cars was reported by Pte. Eli H. Filgate of the Canadian Provost Corps; Tika Singh, 321 Manchester, and Leslie Walker, 631 Hillside, while Betty Clair told police a juvenile attempting to steal her car had broken from her grasp when she tried to stop him.

Judgment Reserved

Court of Appeal today reserved judgment on Robert W. Milman's appeal against conviction at Vancouver's last Assizes on a charge of stealing \$245 from Wright's Limited, and proceeded with the appeal of Robert Findlay from conviction and sentence of one year at hard labor for theft of 593 pounds of dogfish livers.

W. E. Banton's preliminary motion, seeking leave to introduce new evidence in the Findlay appeal, was heard and judgment reserved pending presentation of the main appeal.

Monday, the court transferred to the Vancouver sitting the appeal in the Rex vs. Penney case following application by the prisoner, who appeared in person, for time in which to complete financing of his appeal.

With Our Servicemen



AC2. Ivel (Scotty) Dalziel, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Dalziel, 1128 Topaz, has been transferred from duties at Brandon to Ottawa.

In the army casualty list released at Ottawa today were the following: Sgt. William Edward Fillington, whose father is John William Fillington, Canadian Legion, Victoria, listed as seriously wounded.

Cpl. Thomas Henry Smith, listed as wounded with a B.C. regiment. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, live at 2183 Guernsey Street. He was born here 24 years ago and attended Beacon Hill and Oaklands Schools. He was doorman at the Empress Hotel before enlisting. He went "active" with the Canadian Scottish on the outbreak of war.

Listed as wounded, remaining on duty, was Pte. Alfred Frank Randall, whose father, George Frederick Randall, lives at Cobble Hill.

Gustav Nordling was killed in action. His father, Otto Nordling, Sweden, and his fiancée is Miss Isabelle Marie Johnston, Windsor Hotel, Victoria.

R.C.A.F. casualty list from Ottawa today contained the name of FO. George Ernest McTaggart, missing after air operations. His wife lives at 2546 Dalhousie Street. FO. Frederick Henry Baker, whose father lives on Salt Spring Island, is listed as seriously ill as a result of injuries sustained on active service.

Mentally Sick Home Extension Needed

An immediate attempt to increase provincial government facilities for care of mentally sick will be made by the province, George S. Pearson, provincial secretary, informed the city today. The announcement was contained in a reply to the city's request for establishment of a home here to provide supervisory care for those indigents who do not require hospitalization, or nursing home attention, but should be given some supervision.

"Our facilities for dealing with mentally sick people have become very badly overcrowded, and an attempt will be made immediately to increase our facilities," Mr. Pearson's letter read in part. "The whole question of treatment of mentally sick people is being given very careful consideration at the present time, and we hope that before long a program of improvement of this situation will be developed."

"I must point out, however, that the question of physically sick indigents is a problem for the municipalities and I cannot immediately promise that we can take away from the municipalities the responsibility which is already theirs."

Halifax Silent On Mr. King's Views

WASHINGTON (CP)—U.S. newspapers available in Washington today carried reports of the rejection by Prime Minister King of the proposal of Lord Halifax, British ambassador to the United States, for a common Empire policy on foreign affairs and defence.

But there was no immediate comment from Lord Halifax and spokesmen for the embassy said the ambassador was unlikely to discuss the Canadian Prime Minister's comment publicly.

Neither President Roosevelt nor State Secretary Cordell Hull discussed the British ambassador's proposal.

It is assumed here that the U.S. government would lean toward Mr. King's viewpoint that creation of a common British Commonwealth front on questions of foreign affairs and defence might lead to "rivalry between the great powers."

The many friends of Miss Gertrude Cohen, 1117 Faithful Street, will regret to learn that she has received word from Liverpool, England, of the passing of her brother, Zanda.

Among the United States servicemen visiting the city is PO. (fc) George "Bud" Thompson, a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Joe North, 109 Johnson Street. He has been in the U.S. Navy 17 years and his present ship is the aircraft carrier Ranger, in which he is in charge of parachutes and maintenance of aircraft. He is a powerful man and since being in the navy has become a capable wrestler. He is light heavyweight champion of the scouting fleet. He is having a good time in Victoria and intends to return on a longer visit later.

Souvenirs from Italy sent by Sgt. James Pearson, who is serving with the artillery, have been received by his wife, Mrs. Olga Pearson, 950 Yates Street. Italian cosmetics, including rouge, powder and lipstick, old and new coins among them but one that Mrs. Pearson treasures most is a card designed as a Christmas card by her husband for the group with which he is serving.



This bearded sailor was well known on Victoria streets before the departure for service in the Atlantic of the fine anti-aircraft cruiser Prince Robert. He is WO. F. H. Molst, the only warrant boatswain in the Canadian Navy. He was in the two-hour fight which the Prince Robert put up against German planes and U-boats to save a valuable convoy bound from Canada to Britain.

TOWN TOPICS

Theft of a radio from her home was reported to city police at 120 this morning by Mrs. M. McMillan, 506 Hillside.

Miss S. I. Leavitt of Victoria and Miss E. B. Pearson of West home have joined the Cwace and are leaving for basic training at Vermilion, Alta.

Theft of an \$8 pair of navy pants from her son's locker while he was swimming was reported to city police Monday by Mrs. E. Doddridge, 480 Garbally.

Canadian Pensioners' Association annual election of officers resulted as follows: President Samuel Saunders; vice-president, M. W. Jamieson; secretary-treasurer, R. C. Keane; directors, Comrades Drysdale, Cole, Morrison, Smith, Derbyshire and Davies.

Another \$3,710, contributed largely by members of the R.A.F., was cabled by Mayor Andrew McGavin today to the Lord Mayor of London's Fund for those suffering bombing losses. Today's addition raises to \$72,951 the amount sent from Victoria for the fund.

At the request of Vancouver's Acting Mayor George Miller, Mayor Andrew McGavin today invited representatives from Oak Bay, Saanich, Esquimalt and the two Alberts to accompany the Victoria delegation which will attend the Vancouver mayor's and reeves' conference on the B.C. Electric issue Feb. 9.

Pleading guilty to a charge of making a false statement in reporting a traffic accident, Isabelle Mundie, 1489 Myrtle, was fined \$15 in Esquimalt court Monday. Donald Komich, R.C.A.F., was fined \$25 on a charge of dangerous driving. Four other motorists paid a total of \$50 in traffic fines.

Annual meeting of the Canadian Anti-Vivisection Society will be held Feb. 18, at the Y.W.C.A. Societies working for war-displaced animals have sent thanks to the society from its special war fund. Protests have been made against Boy Scouts rendering services in hospitals performing vivisection upon animals. Harry Hollins presided at the board meeting.

R. E. G. Davis, national director of Canadian Youth Commission, will speak at an open meeting, Wednesday, in the Y.M.C.A. The Canadian Youth Commission is a private organization interested in planning the welfare of youth, particularly youth between the ages of 15 and 24 years, in the postwar world. Plans for a Victoria working commission will be discussed.

Birth Record Set At Jubilee Stresses Need for Pavilion

Lusty voices of a record number of newborn babes chanted the appeal of the Royal Jubilee Hospital for assistance in financing a new maternity pavilion today, with 137 births recorded during the month of January.

The number was well above the 108 previous monthly record listed at the hospital.

Today, with 54 bassinets, hospital authorities had to find accommodation for 56 babies.

During the month 71 boys and 66 girls were born at the Jubilee. They included one set of boy and girl twins.

In January the hospital admitted an average of 25 patients daily for a monthly total of 750. For the month the hospital recorded 12,900 patient days.

The limited maternity accommodation and the scarcity of nursery space literally emphasizes the "crying need" for new quarters and public support for the addition.

Tax Payments Gain In Prepaids, Arrears

In addition to making sweeping gains in the field of current tax prepayments, city property owners have also forged ahead in the arrears division, it was disclosed by the city assessor-collector's department today.

With less outstanding than at the beginning of 1943, the city has already collected \$2,518 more in January than it did in the first month of last year. To date \$10,357 has been received on back responding 1943 month.

In the prepaid division, \$458,793 has been received, a figure \$67,525 above the \$391,268 taken in during January last year.

An interest allowance of 5 per cent per annum from the date of payment until taxes actually fall due in October is granted by the city to those who meet their obligations in advance.

City School Board Opens Budget Work

Preliminary work on city school estimates has not yet reached the point where extraordinary votes have been considered, but prospects indicate little work apart from maintenance will be carried on this year, it was learned following the board's session Monday night.

As a possibility in the extraordinary field is improvement of the new technical unit at Victoria High School. Work on that building has been arranged in a manner to permit extension and completion at a later date. Expenditure of \$5,000 would be desirable this year, it was stated, but is not a definite essential.

Little change was reported in the appropriation for school teachers' salaries, the major item in the expenditure list. While annual increments tend to increase costs in that department, retirements offset them.

The board was informed the actual surplus from last year's operation amounted to \$9,123. That sum will be turned back to the City Council.

With copies of the estimate form before them, members adjourned until the regular meeting Feb. 9.

Booths To Be Opened For Savings Stamps

Two booths for the sale of war savings stamps will be opened on Feb. 7. The I.O.D.E. will take charge of one in Eddy's with Mrs. A. W. Walsh as convener. The other will be opened in the Vancouver Island Coach Lines depot under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club, with Mrs. Alan Campbell as convener.

Open for the duration, the booths will be staffed by volunteers from both organizations.

In Police Court

Three young naval ratings, Emmanuel R. H. McLean, Ralph Harten and Alvin L. O'Hara, were each fined \$15 in city court today on a charge of stealing a pair of pliers and a roll of electric tape from a car. The three pleaded guilty.

Mrs. Alice Connibear was sentenced to one month in jail on a vagrancy charge.

Traffic and parking fines totaled \$12.50.

Provincial Enlistments Increase

VANCOUVER (CP)—Enlistments in the Canadian army in Vancouver during January were more than 50 per cent higher than in December, army recruiting officials said today. In December, 270 active recruits were secured. During January 424 active recruits signed up.

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Republicans Swing Toward Dewey As Candidate

By CLYDE BLACKBURN
 WASHINGTON (CP)—It now would appear that Tom Dewey may be the Republican candidate for President next June if the G.O.P. has to send a commando squad down the Mohawk valley to Albany and drag him to the Chicago convention by main force.

The 42-year-old Governor of New York, who barely missed the G.O.P. nomination at Philadelphia in 1940 when delegates suddenly decided Wendell Willkie was most likely to win for them, has become the nation's political mystery man.

Amid a furor of growing demands that he step in as candidate for the Republican nomination, he smilingly points to his declaration that he would not be that kind of candidate.

But there seems no record of his having declared against accepting nomination if it were thrust upon him—and a growing volume of opinion believes that is what will happen.

A Republican move away from Willkie and toward Dewey is gaining momentum even in the face of the latter's apparent indifference.

The Dewey trend will grow, says the Washington Post's Edward Folliard, "unless some of the smartest politicians in the G.O.P. have lost all their sagacity."

Some observers think Dewey will run only if Roosevelt refuses to attempt a fourth term.

Churchill Declines To Set 'Duration'

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Churchill declined to express an opinion in the House of Commons today as to when the war might end.

George Mathers, Labor, asked Mr. Churchill if he could yet state "the principle which would be applied in determining the date of the end of the war or cessation of hostilities, as at that date or a fixed period thereafter certain wartime agreements come to an end."

Amid laughter, Mr. Churchill replied: "No doubt at some date hostilities will cease in the different theatres of war."

"It is not for me to state what principles the courts would apply in construing the terms of agreements, nor am I prepared at the present time to make any statement which will proceed in determining any formal date on which the war will be deemed to be concluded."

Social Insurance Commons Committee

OTTAWA (CP)—A select committee of the House of Commons will be set up to study and report on a national plan of social insurance and another to study postwar reconstruction and re-

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establishment, Prime Minister King revealed today in a notice in today's votes and proceedings of the Commons.

Similar committees functioned last session, but had not completed their investigations when the House recessed last summer.

The insurance committee, to report "on a national plan of social insurance which will constitute a charter of social security for the whole of Canada," will study existing Dominion and provincial social insurance legislation and similar legislation in other countries and recommend the most practical measures of social insurance for Canada, including health insurance.

Forty-one members are named on the committee, including Labor Minister Mitchell and Pensions Minister Mackenzie. The reconstruction committee will have 35 members, including the same two ministers.

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YORK THEATRE

Humphrey Bogart noted that one of the Chinese extras in Warners' "Across the Pacific," now at the York, seemed unusually weary.

"Don't you sleep well?" Bogart asked.

"No," Sin Link replied, with a yawn. "I started to count dead Japs, instead of sheep. It became so interesting that I stayed up all night to dispose of their entire army."

New Manager True Maritimer



E. G. MacMinn... From Halifax to Victoria.

E. G. MacMinn, who settled down at his desk as new manager of the Royal Bank main-branch today, is a true Maritimer. Born in Truro, Nova Scotia, he has spent 32 years with the bank and in that time has always been stationed in the Maritimes.

"I'll always be loyal to the Maritimes," he said, "but I think Victoria is a delightful place. It's my first visit and I'm so impressed I'd like to live on here forever."

Just one thing bothers Mr. MacMinn about Victoria. With his wife and three children he's been looking for a house yet. At present they are staying at the Empress Hotel.

After attending school in New Glasgow and Truro, Mr. MacMinn entered the Royal Bank in 1910. Since then he has held positions in Liverpool, Kentville, Sidney and for the last three years has been manager of the Halifax main branch.

He remarked on the contrast between the east coast port and Victoria. Back there, he said, "80 per cent of the people on the streets are in uniform." Many of the MacMinn's friends in Victoria now are service couples formerly stationed in the Maritimes.

Huge, permanent buildings for the forces that seemed to go up almost overnight and a great influx of people were two of the changes Mr. MacMinn saw during his three years in Halifax. Dealing with Pacific coast people isn't new to him, for many of his customers were servicemen from Victoria and Vancouver. In fact, in his Halifax office was a Chinese in army uniform from Victoria on his way overseas.

Hunting and fishing are the new manager's chief recreations and he's looking forward to both on this island. He is also looking forward to the days when he can with other Victoria residents go south to California for a vacation.

delegates, with J. E. Hamilton and Mr. Hemsley, substitutes. Eric Moon and H. Prior were elected delegates to the rural-ecanal conference.

Church Meetings

GARDEN CITY

Encouraging reports were given at the annual meeting of Garden City United Church recently, when Rev. Currie Thompson presided.

Mr. Thompson presented the report for the Board of Session and J. Jones expressed appreciation of the congregation to Mr. Thompson. Mrs. C. Alexander reported on the choir, Mrs. A. Fryatt the Women's Association, Mr. Thompson the Sunday school, and Mr. Jones the Cradle Roll.

A. P. Fryatt, treasurer, told the meeting that all obligations were met. Re-elected to the Board of Stewards were T. Drayson and F. Thomas. Mrs. E. Ricalton convened a social hour following the meeting. She was assisted by Mrs. P. Brown and Mrs. R. Young.

ST. ALBAN'S

Plans for immediate improvement of Sunday school facilities and an appeal to members of the congregation to take a greater interest in Sunday school work were made at the vestry meeting of St. Alban's Church.

Archdeacon H. A. Collison presided. A. E. Wyeth, people's warden, read the financial statement, showing receipts for church and hall of \$2,559. Reports of the Senior W.A. and A.Y.P.A. were given.

Following were officers elected: Ernest Andrews, vicar's warden; Mr. Wyeth, people's warden; Mrs. G. A. Trockett, Mrs. D. Swan, Mrs. A. Hemsley, Mrs. Chappell and Messrs. E. Prior, F. H. Hawes, F. Wilson, A. Hemsley, C. Stroud, C. Simpson, H. W. White, church committee; Miss D. G. Cox and Mrs. Swan, missionary committee. H. W. White and F. H. Hawes were elected synod

Butter Ration May Be Reduced

SASKATOON (CP) — Unless the continued decline in volume of butter production is halted, it will be difficult to maintain the present ration of eight ounces per person weekly, J. F. Singleton of Ottawa said in an address prepared for delivery today at the opening of an interprovincial dairy conference here.

Mr. Singleton, chairman of the Dairy Products Board, reported that distribution during 1943 was approximately 25,000,000 pounds less than during 1942.

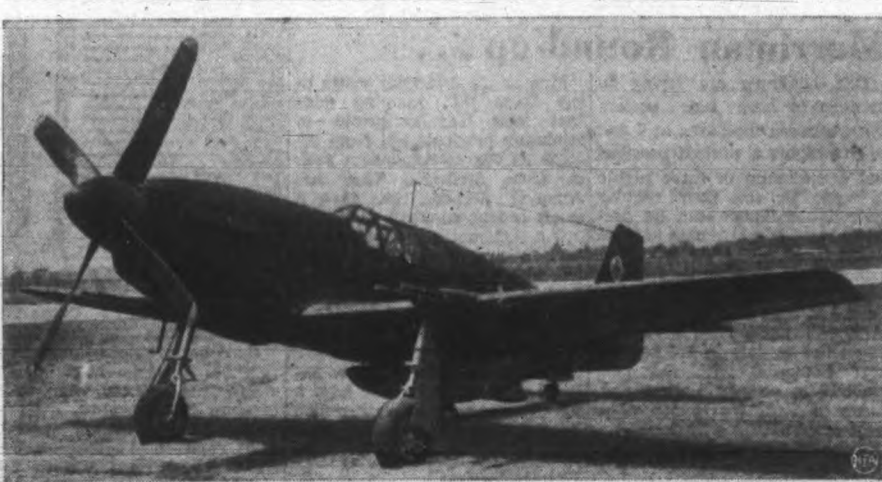
Since the commencement of the war, production of creamery butter in the prairie provinces has increased to a much greater extent with relation to prewar volume than has occurred in the other six provinces of Canada.

Man Burned Out Japs in California

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Arson investigators quote a 40-year-old hotel clerk as saying: "I guess I've set more than 200 fires," many of them in "cheap Jap flophouses" in Los Angeles Japanese settlement shortly before and after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941.

"I tried to get 'em before they were chased out," the suspect, who gave his name as Clarence Everett Stepleton, was quoted by Capt. Carl Halter, chief of the fire department arson squad. "I wanted to burn the Japs as well as the joints they were running."

The man was booked on suspicion of arson Monday night after



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two fires had broken out in his hotel.

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Stamp Buying Vital To War Financing

Although some people may still feel their purchases of war savings stamps and certificates are a relatively unimportant contribution to victory, statistics show small regular savings through these media play a valuable part in Canada's war financing.

Figures issued by the National War Finance Committee show \$5,098,858 was invested in war savings certificates in British Columbia and the Yukon in 1943. This amount is 7.3 per cent of the \$69,041,176 total Canadian sales during the year. Approximately 7.1 per cent of the Dominion's population reside in this territory. From the inception of sales of war savings certificates in April, 1940, to Dec. 31, 1943, British Columbians and Yukoners have invested \$20,201,824, which is 7.7 per cent of the Canadian total of \$260,491,224.

OAK BAY AND PLAZA

"Fired Wife" Universal's racy new comedy-drama, the current attraction at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres, features a popular cast which is winning special approval with moviegoers. The talented group is headed by co-stars Robert Paige and Louise Allbritton. Diana Barrymore and Walter Abel are teamed in featured roles.

Other distinguished players in the cast are Walter Catlett, Ernest Truex and Alan Dinehart. Seen in many amusing sequences are George Dolenz, Richard Lane and Rex Ingram.

RIO THEATRE

Encounters with Japs and intriguing soldiers of fortune furnish George Montgomery with plenty of hair-raising action in "China Girl," and the presence of two of Hollywood's most enchanting leading ladies — Gene Tierney and Lynn Bari — keeps him on the jump romantically. The film, now playing at the Rio Theatre, features Victor McLaglen and many others.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Fifty four delegates from British Columbia are expected to attend the two-day convention of the B.C. Council, Provincial Employees, opening here Wednesday.

Kyser Sings In Dominion Show

One of the few top handleaders in the Dominion Theatre, Kay Kyser, has so far confined himself to leading and acting in his film vehicles.

While making his current RKO Radio film, "Around the World," which is now at the Dominion Theatre, however, Kyser was induced to try his hand at warbling a novelty number which required a particularly bad voice to produce the right effect—and the result was so funny that the scene was incorporated in the picture.

Mischa Auer, Joan Davis and Marcy McGuire head the supporting cast of the gay film musical, which deals with a globe-girdling tour of army bases abroad.

CAPITOL THEATRE

The profound, philosophic thesis that movie stars do not necessarily possess the personalities they portray on the screen is admirably illustrated by the case of Olivia de Havilland, who stars in the new Warner Bros. comedy, "Princess O'Rourke," now at the Capitol Theatre.

Bob Cummings, the film actor, is a flippant fellow, a cute kid with an offhand manner and a devil-may-care look. That is the screen Cummings. The real-life Mr. Cummings is a solid citizen, a reputable burgher of the community, with a wife, an estate, and a sense of social responsibility. He belongs to the best clubs, attends church regularly and is the commander of a civil air patrol.

ATLAS THEATRE

The fellow who played the piano when Jimmy and Jeanne Cagney rehearsed their 12 George M. Cohan numbers for Warner Bros. "Yankee Doodle Dandy," now at the Atlas Theatre, in which "Over There" is prominently spotted, was the man who first played the number publicly. He is M. K. Jerome, who oddly enough at the time, 1917, was pianist for Cohan's great friendly rival in the song writing field, Irving Berlin. He played the song at an all-star entertainment for soldiers during the first World War.

CADET THEATRE

Film star Michele Morgan at the age of 15 went on a hunger strike to convince her parents that she was serious in her desire to become an actress. "This," declared Michele during the making of Universal's "Two Tickets to London," now at the Cadet Theatre, "is quite the opposite with most actors. They often go hungry after they decide to go on the stage."

Where to Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS—James Cagney in "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

CADET—"Two Tickets to London," starring Michele Morgan and Alan Curtis.

CAPITOL—Olivia de Havilland in "Princess O'Rourke."

DOMINION—Kay Kyser in "Around the World."

OAK BAY AND PLAZA—"Fired Wife," starring Robert Paige and Diana Barrymore.

RIO—Gene Tierney in "China Girl."

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